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Remains War Minister

Prince Konoye, has retained several of his old Ministers in key posts in the new Japanese Cabinet. One is General Hideki Tojo, War Minister, who is pictured here.



Moderates In Tokyo Key Posts But Policy Averred Unchanged

TOKYO, July 18 (Reuter).—After a 48-hour crisis, Prince Konoye returned to office to-day at the head of a "watch and wait" Cabinet with reputed "moderates" in key posts.

The chief change from the Cabinet which resigned on Wednesday is the disappearance of the energetic, talkative and much-travelled Yosuke Matsuoka, who signed Japan's Neutrality Pact with Russia. He is replaced as Foreign Minister by Admiral Tetsuro Toyoda, Minister of Commerce and Industry in the outgoing Cabinet and one-time Naval Attache in London.

Admiral Toyoda has never been associated with any extremist faction.

Baron Hiranuma, the former Premier whom Prince Konoye is generally believed to have introduced into his old Cabinet as Home Minister to support him against the extremists, becomes Minister Without Portfolio.

He is generally regarded as leader of the section which has argued against any precipitate action until world affairs should become clearer. As Minister Without Portfolio, his influence should now be greater rather than less.

Mr. Harunichi Tanabe, former Minister of Communications, who takes over from Baron Hiranuma at the Home Office, belongs to the moderate party.

Expansionists

The two service chiefs, Minister of War (Lieut.-General Tojo) and the Navy Minister (Admiral Oikawa) are unchanged. They are known to be "expansionists" but their continued presence in the Cabinet indicates that Prince Konoye has at least been able to carry the Army and Navy with him for the present.

The new Finance Minister is Mr. Maatsuno Ogura, Minister Without Portfolio in the old Cabinet, who succeeds Mr. Isac Kawada. Mr. Ogura is head of the banking and industrial syndicate of Sumitomo, one of the big five Japanese concerns, and was specially attached to the outgoing Cabinet some six months ago to direct its economic policy.

Fixed Policies

TOKYO, July 18 (Reuter).—Following the first Cabinet meeting which lasted 18 minutes, Prince Konoye issued a brief statement asserting that he was determined to bring about a fundamental renovation of the national structure for a "bold and swift" realisation of the Government's fixed policies to deal with the increasingly grave world situation.

Simultaneously the War Minister, Lieut.-General Tojo, and the Navy Minister, Admiral Oikawa, were also present.

New Japanese Troop Concentrations

PEIPING, July 18 (Reuter).—According to unconfirmed reports, trains are being concentrated for the transport of Japanese troops brought back from Shansi to either Manchuria or northward to Kalgan, and the presence of an unusual number of troops at stations west of Peiping suggest that Kalgan is the more probable.

The report, if correct, suggests a movement to reinforce Japanese forces near Mongolia against Russia since no fighting has been reported recently from the Meng Chiang area and all has been quiet there for the last few months.

The morning express from Peiping to Fusan has been cancelled for two days at least, possibly more. No

"We Are Desperate" Says H.K. Evacuee

Hongkong women in Sydney are "absolutely fed up and getting more and more desperate," said Mrs. F. C. Clemo, of Bondi, one of the thousands of women evacuated to Australia a year ago.

While their "bachelor husbands" in Hongkong hold protest meetings, attacking the Colonial Office, wives here are becoming more and more annoyed at persistent refusals to allow them to return.

"We feel as though we are prisoners," Mrs. Clemo said. "But we can do nothing—only sit here and twiddle our thumbs, she declared to the Sydney 'Sun'.

"All of us are annoyed at the injustice of so many women being allowed to return to Hongkong—for one reason or another—while others, just as deserving, are forced to remain. Some are trained nurses."

Mrs. Clemo added that she would not charge favouritism, but many who knew the facts could draw their own conclusions.

Told To "Sit Tight"

"So many of us are willing to take all risks to do our share of war work," she said.

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Sumita For Tokyo

Colonel Sumita, representative of the Japanese Mission in Saigon, left to-day by plane for Hanoi, presumably to contact General Sumita, head of the Mission, who is returning to-day from a flying visit to Tokyo.

Reports from Hanoi state that Japanese-Indo-Chinese relations are very friendly and the recent replacement of General Nishimura, head of the Japanese forces in Tonkin, by Brigadier-General Yamagata has increased the harmony.

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No Chungking Drive

CHUNGKING, July 18 (Reuter).—The possibility of Japan making a determined drive towards Chungking may be counted out, at least until next summer, according to general opinion here.

It is pointed out that preparations for such an ambitious undertaking would require some time.

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EXTRAVAGANT GERMAN CLAIMS UNJUSTIFIED: REDS CHECK ADVANCE

(By "Reuter's" Military Commentator)

LONDON, July 18.—THE GERMAN ARMIES, AFTER A PAUSE OF ONLY A FEW DAYS, HAVE RENEWED THEIR OFFENSIVE WITH EXTREME VIGOUR. AFTER SIX DAYS OF FURTHER DESPERATE FIGHTING, IT APPEARS THAT NONE OF THE CLAIMS WHICH THEY TRUMPETED AT THE START OF THIS OFFENSIVE IS JUSTIFIED.

THEY HAVE UNDOUBTEDLY ADVANCED IN THREE DIRECTIONS BUT THE RUSSIANS ARE NOT DEFEATED AND NEITHER ARE THEY. AS THE GERMANS HAVE CLAIMED, IN FULL RETREAT. ON THE CONTRARY, THEY ARE OFFERING A MOST STERN RESISTANCE.

If the Russian Command can reinforce its left wing round Bobruisk and continue to drive back the Germans, the latter's advance troops round Smolensk will find themselves in precarious positions.

Much depends here, as elsewhere on the strength of the Russian reserves and on their ability to move forward in the right direction.

In Bessarabia, the German advance has not been at all appreciable. They claim to have reached Kiev and the Russians say that they have driven them out. While there is fighting in Kiev, there is also heavy fighting 80 miles and as far as 120 miles in the rear of the Germans at Jitomir and Novograd-Volynsk.

It is very possible that the physical strength of the German troops as well as their supplies may soon reach their limits. The effect on the German soldiers at the front and civilians at home will then be very serious.

Heavy Losses

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—A Soviet communiqué states that heavy fighting took place on July 18 in the directions of Jukov, Porhov, Polotsk, Nevel and Smolensk. Both sides suffered heavy losses.

Soviet air forces on July 17 destroyed 31 German planes.

Berlin Brag

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—Preceded by fanfare and drum roll and followed by military marches, a German High Command communiqué broadcast to-night claimed that the breakthrough of the strongly fortified Stalin Line between Mogilev and Vitebsk had been widened beyond Smolensk.

The communiqué continues that Smolensk itself, stubbornly defended by the enemy, had been taken on July 16. All attempts of the enemy to recapture this town have been frustrated.

Berlin Report

BERLIN, July 18 (UP).—Authorized quarters state that the German panzer spearhead is driving unceasingly towards strategic objectives, but the bulk of the armoured forces and infantry have in many cases succeeded in splitting up to encircle Soviet formations left behind the main advance, "which are now facing annihilation."

These quarters say that the depth of the fighting zone is now more than 100 kilometers, and claim that the Soviet leaders are not able to exercise unified command, hence units are attempting individual defence.

"No large-scale Soviet counter-offensive has so far been detected."

The D.N.B. says that artillery advancing in the region of Smolensk destroyed 28 parked planes. German bombers continued to attack the Smolensk-Moscow rail line, wrecking transport trains, cutting the line.

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Casualties In Russian War Upset Nazis

FROM "REUTER'S" CORRESPONDENT SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE

July 18.—I learn that the heavy losses on the Russian front are causing discontent among workers in some parts of Germany, notably Baden, where it is rumoured, the destruction of the Constance regiment has created a sensation.

A German source estimated that German casualties at the end of the first fortnight of the Russian war were 600,000.

A decrease is reported in the industrial production of the Ruhr owing to R.A.F. damage and there is a disinclination on the part of the already over-trained workers to continue work during raids.

SUBMARINES SINK NAZI SHIPS

Our Bombers Also Active

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, July 18 (UP).—An Admiralty communiqué states that British submarines sank seven ships carrying German troops, ammunition and petrol in the Mediterranean, but the report does not specify the date when this happened. A supply ship which was being escorted by destroyers and aircraft was torpedoed and probably sunk.

Planes Attack Ships

LONDON, July 18 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that British planes are continuing their attacks on German shipping off the French coast and that several direct hits were made on a 6,000 ton supply ship last night. Fires were started in the industrial areas at Cologne and in the Rhine-land.

Planes of the coastal command hit a 4,000 ton ship at Saint Nazaire.

Direct Hits

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—Several direct hits were obtained on a supply ship off the French coast, according to the Air Ministry Communiqué to-night. It says that despite unfavourable weather over the Straits of Dover to-day, the R.A.F. continued to harass enemy shipping off the French coast.

Enemy supply ships of about 6,000 tons, escorted by patrol vessels and fighters were attacked by British bombers off Dunkirk and several direct hits were obtained.

Later reconnaissance showed a ship of corresponding tonnage aground near Dunkirk.

Fighters escorting the British bombers shot down one enemy fighter. Two British bombers and one fighter are missing.

Clear of Britain

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—One German bomber was shot down by R.A.F. fighters off the south coast of Britain this afternoon, says an Air Ministry Communiqué, which also states that while enemy aircraft have flown near the British coast, none flew inland and up to 6 p.m. no report had been made of bombs being dropped.

HEMINGWAY SUED

Alleged Plagiarism

Two piracy suits, demanding damages of U.S.\$6,200,000 were filed in Los Angeles recently by John I. deMontijo against Ernest Hemingway, novelist, and Cecil B. DeMille, Paramount producer, says an American newspaper.

Plaintiff wanted \$5,000,000 from Hemingway, claiming that his play, "The Rebel, or the Birth of a Revolution," was used as material for the book, "For Whom the Bell Tolls."

He asked DeMille and Paramount for \$1,200,000, charging that material from the play was used in the filming of "Northwest Mounted Police."

Intercepted Over Malta

CAIRO, July 18 (Reuter).—A large formation of Macchi 200's, which flew over Malta yesterday morning, were intercepted by British fighters and two were shot down while others were damaged.

Two British machines are missing from all Middle East operations.

New Appointment Hinted



MR DUFF-COOPER

Singapore Job For Mr Duff-Cooper Is Hinted

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 18 (UP).—Usually reliable sources stated to-day that Mr Winston Churchill has offered Mr Duff Cooper the post of Minister of State, to be stationed at Singapore—a position similar to that of Captain Lyttleton at Cairo—which is further evidence of the importance that Mr Churchill momentarily attaches to the Far East.

It is reported that Hitler has sent a note to Japan appealing for the immediate invasion of Eastern Siberia in view of the disruption of the western front time-table.

Extension Of U.S. Black List

WASHINGTON, July 18 (Reuter).—Mr Dean Acheson, Assistant Secretary of State, disclosed to-day that he was planning to extend the United States "black list" of firms and individuals deemed to be helping Germany and Italy to countries outside the Western Hemisphere.

He stated that the countries for which lists are being prepared include virtually all countries outside the British Empire such as Japan, Spain, Portugal and Sweden.

Mr Acheson declined to indicate when the list would be published.

Summer Welles

WASHINGTON, July 18 (Reuter).—The United States is considering all possible steps for the expansion of export control measures—including the black-list—to areas other than those in Latin America, said Mr Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, at a Press conference to-day.

The first time of searchlights in the ground defence.

These made approach across the desert flats almost impossible but also served to give away enemy positions.

Petition Presented To Mr Owen Lattimore

Release of Marshal Chang Hsueh-lang, leading figure in the Sian Incident of 1936, from detention by the Central Government is the request made in a petition presented by Manchurians of note now resident in Hongkong to Mr Owen Lattimore, newly-appointed personal political adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who arrived in the Colony this week on his way to Chungking.

The petition is signed by 358 exiled natives of Manchuria (Manchukuo), including former leading political personalities, cultural workers, writers, artists and others in various spheres of life.

Although many surmises have

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THE ARMED FORCES OF SOVIET RUSSIA

ARMY

Hitler is sometimes credited with the ambition to accomplish two feats which Napoleon failed to achieve, to subdue Russia and to invade England. Yet so far the megalomania of the Nazi Fuehrer has proved to be intensely practical, and to-day there exist more than one reason why he should turn on his associate of the early stages of the war. All through the changing struggle, despite developments which would have labeled the prophet who foretold them two years ago as a madman, there has been one constant factor. Whatever campaigns Hitler undertook, however much he altered his dispositions, a great army was anchored on the Russian frontier and a considerable proportion of the Luftwaffe kept watch with it, because he dared not remove either.

If Hitler should now be contemplating a knock-out blow against Britain this year, he may well have said to himself that the summer was yet young and that he could not better employ the next few weeks than in so mauling the U.S.S.R. that it could be left out of account for the rest of the year. Then, and then only, he might argue, could he afford to turn his back upon those vast forces, and above all upon that heavy air arm.

Even if immediate invasion of Britain were not his aim, his schemes in the Middle East might be facilitated by rendering Russia impotent to interfere with them. It can be said with confidence that this was the view of his attitude taken by the best-informed authorities in this country, and that to them his action has come as no surprise.

HITLER'S NEEDS

The second reason is, of course, Hitler's desire—perhaps his urgent need—to acquire control of the chief material resources of Russia in order to subjugate the two great democracies of the world. It has always been a matter of difficulty to estimate Germany's exact situation as regards the supply of oil, but it is generally believed that she has of late been operating on a narrow margin.

Finally, politics cannot be left out of account. Hitler may believe that an anti-Bolshevik campaign will cool American ardour and reanimate that of Vichy. If so he is certainly wrong in the first respect.

Where this country is concerned our military course is clear. If we required spurring to fresh resolution the spur would be found in this fresh months that followed, but a year proof of what a pact means to Hitler and of the folly of trying to make any agreement with him. We must also confront the situation without attempting to deceive ourselves.

THE DANGER

Our danger is not diminished by the German action. We may, it is true, gain considerable advantages from it if we bestir ourselves to take them, but if Hitler has reasoned as suggested above it must frankly be admitted that the argument has been behind it. Were the Germans in fact to administer a knock-out blow to Russia then our situation would be, not improved, but very much worse than at present, because Hitler could afford substantial casualties in men and material if at that price he put himself in a position to disregard the Soviets.

War between Russia and Germany is thus not an episode which we can afford to sit back and watch, but a vital opportunity for us to increase the weight of every type of military and economic pressure, and an opportunity which in the nature of things can never return.

It is not easy to estimate the quality or even the numbers of the Red Army. The factor of affect a victorious army while man-power hardly counts; even it is actively engaged.

The actual strength and quality of the fighting forces of the U.S.S.R. have been variously estimated by observers, with conflicting results. In view of the fine resistance which the Soviet have shown against the Nazis, it seems that Russia's armed might is greater than is generally believed. The messages on this page are from the Military, Aeronautical and Naval Correspondents of "The Times."

AIR FORCE

Like the other Services, the Soviet Air Force has been developed under a cloak of secrecy. It is known that the Soviet has been hard at work for years trying to build up a huge force, but what that effort has produced is somewhat doubtful.

Probably Russia has somewhere about 10,000 Service aircraft of all types, with a front-line strength of 5,000 machines. The rather impressive total is apt to be misleading, however, for many of the types are obsolescent and even obsolete, while it is generally believed that she has no great reserves, that the general standard of her pilots and flying crews is not high, that the workmanship in the factory and maintenance units is not up to Western standards, and that her rate of production is small by comparison with the huge industry which has been built up.

WAS PIONEER

In many respects the Russian Air Force bears a striking resemblance to Germany's Luftwaffe. Russia was the pioneer of carrying troops and war material by air, and Germany copied and improved upon the technique. The Soviet also led the way in training parachute troops, and here again Germany followed suit. It was Russia which carried light tanks by air. The Russians have great numbers of trained parachute troops; some people put the figure as high as 100,000. Both in Ger-

many and Russia the land part of the Air Force is subservient to the Army.

In normal times the Soviet Air Force is situated in two widely separated areas—one east and the other west of Lake Balkal. Owing to the vast extent of the country and the limited communications connecting east and west, it is not the normal custom to reinforce either area at the expense of the other, so that for all practical purposes they are separate forces. The larger command, totalling about 5,000 machines, is maintained in the west, and about 2,000 machines in the east.

RUSSIAN DIVISIONS

The expenditure of munitions was believed to have been great enough to exercise a crippling effect on Russian policy in the would be found in this fresh months that followed, but a year proof of what a pact means to Hitler and of the folly of trying to make any agreement with him. We must also confront the situation without attempting to deceive ourselves.

At the moment there are believed to be from 140 to 160 Russian divisions facing about 120 German and a few Rumanian. The Air Force, which is dealt with more fully elsewhere, is probably numerically as strong as the Luftwaffe, but very similar in appearance to the Spitfire. Whether this is actually in service is not known. The 116, which is used in the greatest numbers, has a speed of 118, is credited with the still modest top speed of 260 m.p.h. All the Russian fighters have a poor fire-power, but there are ground-attack aircraft fitted with eight machine-guns.

The chief medium bombers are SB2s, which correspond to our Blenheims but are said to be much like the United States Martin 139. Their performance is, however, unimpressive, the maximum speed being only about 250 m.p.h. Another bomber, the DB3, has a maximum speed of 245 m.p.h., and it can carry the useful bomb-load of 3,300lb. over a range of 1,600 miles.

Among the heavy machines is a four-engined transport-bomber, the TB3, which is not unlike the German Junkers.

NAVY

The Soviet Government for some years past have been exceedingly reticent about the details of the Russian Navy, and all the books of reference confess to much uncertainty regarding the accuracy of the information they give about it.

It contains four old battleships, launched in 1911 but modernised of recent years, and five old cruisers, one of which was no less than 14 years in the building. In addition to these there are four 8,000-ton modern cruisers armed with 7-in. guns—a weapon not to be found in any other navy—but one of them is believed not to be yet completed; and one light cruiser of 3,000 tons armed with 5-in. guns, completed in Italy in 1939.

SUBMARINES

It is about the Russian flotilla, however, that there is the greatest uncertainty. Of modern flotilla leaders and destroyers, armed with 5-in. guns and comparable to the latest German boats, there are believed to be some 50 built, building and projected; but there is no agreement regarding the number that should be placed in each of these categories. There are also a number of older torpedo craft.

The total number of submarines is put at some 170, of which about 50 are believed to be "Malodki"—small submarines of no more than 200 tons surface displacement. The latest issue of "Jane's Fighting Ships" includes a photograph of one of these, but it seems doubtful if there are really so many of them.

It seems on the whole unlikely that naval operations will play any great part in a Russo-German war. Germany disposes of no warships in the Black Sea—except the tiny Rumanian Navy—unless she has built submarines or other small craft in Danube ports. In the Baltic she has, presumably, the battleship Tirpitz, the one remaining undamaged pocket battleship, the aircraft-carrier Graf Zeppelin, and possibly one Bin. cruiser together with a few destroyers—not a very formidable force to face the bulk of the Soviet Fleet.

DEFENSIVE ROLE

German communications with Finland, or even the supplies she receives from Sweden, might perhaps prove a tempting objective for the Russian torpedo craft or cruisers. But, on the whole, a defensive role seems a more likely one for the Soviet Baltic forces.

The German naval command has declared "dangerous areas" for shipping in the Arctic, from the Finnish frontier eastwards, the Baltic, except for Swedish territorial waters and a three-mile strip along the German coast for traffic, and the Black Sea, with the exception of a 10-mile strip along the Turkish coast. Shipping is warned that any ship in those areas "risks destruction through mines or other war measures."

Though slow and obsolete and probably unfit for serious bombing work, it can carry an extremely heavy load. Most of the other aircraft, including those attached to the Fleet, are old and out of date.

LUFTWAFFE

For some weeks Germany has been moving aircraft and ground staffs towards the Russian frontier, so that she is probably in a position to put a very formidable force at the disposal of her Army, including hundreds of Ju87B and Ju88 dive-bombers. Many of the bombers have been transferred from bases in Northern France, Belgium, and Holland, while others have been sent forward from Greece and Rumania. Unless Soviet Russia has any secret new machines "up her sleeve" the German Air Force should possess a great technical superiority, but it will be opposed not only by large numbers of fighters but strong anti-aircraft batteries, of which Russia is not said to possess great numbers. Unlike the German Junkers.

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FASHIONS

BLITZ
BRINGS
CHANGES

By Alison Settle

The blitz has brought changes to the world of feminine fashions just as it has to every other phase of life in Britain to-day.

Even with the war raging around them, British women are still taking as much trouble over their appearance as they have ever done. Fashions have changed to meet changed conditions, but London's women have lost nothing of their chic.

First of all, you have to realise that it is difficult to get a furnished flat in Mayfair. They are all taken. The streets are full of passengers, both foot and car. Londoners complain just as usual about the traffic blocks. If you do not book your table in advance at the Berkeley or Claridge's Hotel, you have to wait until two o'clock for the chance of one falling vacant. The Berkeley has three restaurants, Claridge's has two, but all are crowded.

Afternoon And Evening

Two kinds of clothes are not bought as they once were. They are the afternoon dress in which a woman formerly played bridge, and the grand evening dresses, exceedingly décolleté. Bridge is now played in the evenings since the days are occupied with warwork, and women wear dinner gowns. The afternoon dress has disappeared: from the kind of clothes in which they can both work and lunch-women change for dinner or for a before-dinner sherry party.

The famous tailoring houses of London are always busy making the more elegant little suits; they are always crowded and have a list of appointments for fittings that begins in the early morning and lasts until the house closes. The material of the suits has veered from the tweeds that women have always bought in England to very fine versions of men's suiting, exactly the same as the woollen merchants supply to Savile Row for the men's suits but in half their weight and in feminine colourings. What colours? Grey, to lead with, often combined with a biscuit brown. Or grey with a fine overchecking of brilliant red, green and yellow.

Emphasised Pockets

The line of the suits? They are for the most part single-breasted with a rather longer opening, are closely fitted at the waist in accentuated curves. Emphasised pockets help in that accentuation of the feminine, small waist and the rounded hips. Skirts are slim, fullness lying rather to the front. Pockets are slits for the fingers, no more. Both jackets and skirts feature yokes, which are put in with much fine, intricate seaming and detail.

The tailors, when they make suits in brilliant colours, whether the parrot blends of the 'sheer' tweeds or the monotonous of fine suittings, usually add a topcoat so that, when a woman has to go into blitzed areas in the course of her warwork, she may not feel conspicuous. These coats are grand, swinging models: women drive their own little cars to remove victims of bombing, and a fitted coat is not suitable.

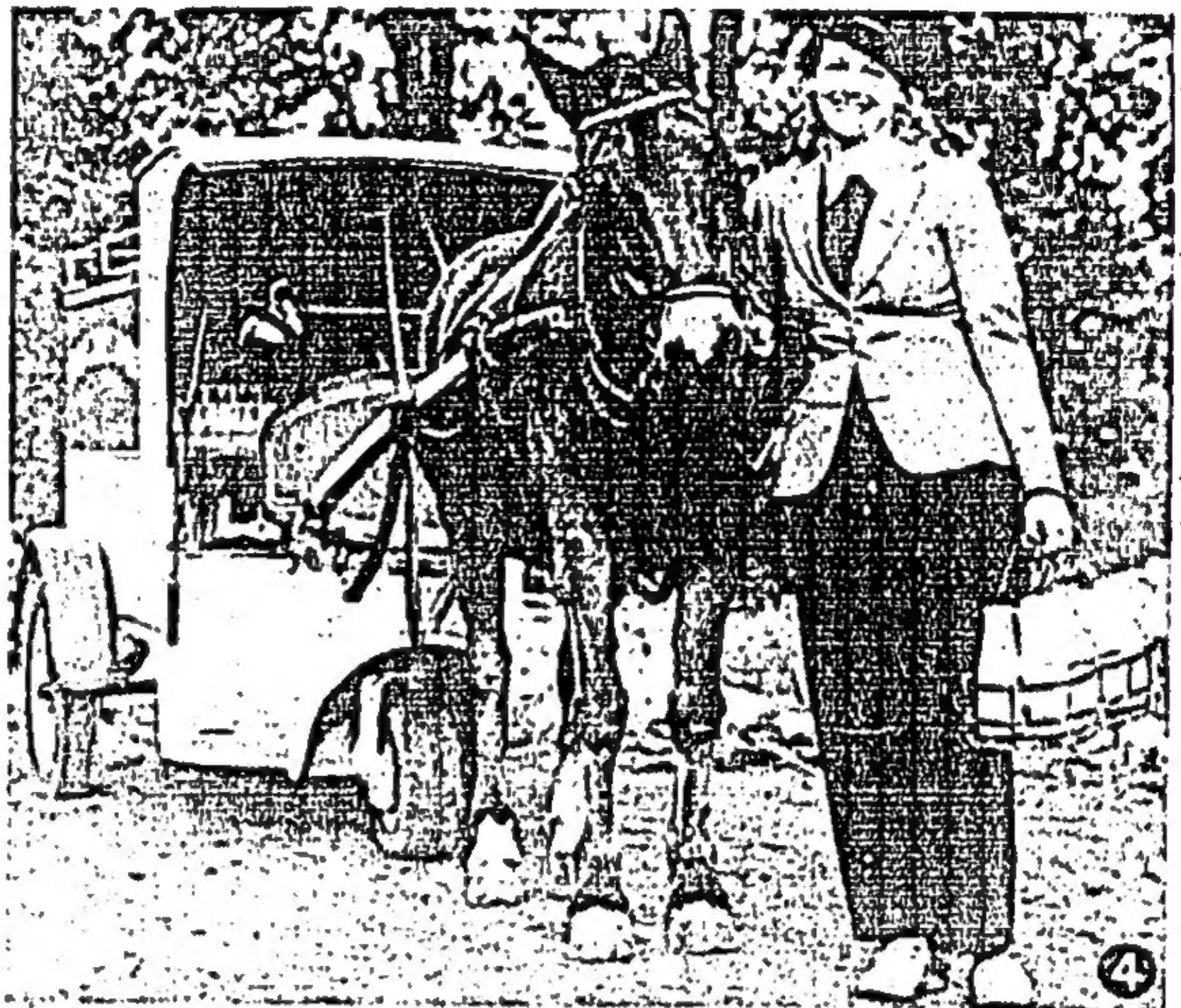
Colourful Blouses

Because suits play such a big part in the Englishwoman's life, whether for town or country, she always has a big wardrobe of blouses. Typical of the models of to-day are those with close-fitting necklines, tiny turnover collars, pleated fronts and backs, and really wide sleeves, full from the shoulders and held in by minute cuff-bands. You find these in cottons, (striped as a rule) in which case the collars and cuffs will probably be stiffened. You find them in voiles with gleaming cross-lines, in nets, and in tie-silks. And of all these, the tie-silks, of the very fabrics which make men's ties but in brilliant, gay colourings, are the joy of women's hearts.

The hats which are worn with these elegantly cut suits have changed this year. They incorporate fabric in the making. If you see a woman in a grey suit with a line yellow tie-silk blouse you may expect to see her wearing a hat which is of grey fine felt and tie-silk mixed. If she is in a violet suit with a pink and mauve, striped cotton skirt (and cotton is considered very smart by Molyneux) and the other great dress makers, then she may be wearing a little Bomburg hat underlined with the violet but with the whole top made of the striped cotton shirting. Even the quills which adorn them are often shirting-quills instead of bird-ones.



THEN AND NOW



Some idea of the way in which women's fashions have changed with the passing of the years can be judged by these striking comparison pictures, showing women during the last war and this. Pictures 1 and 2 show the difference in dress of women farmers then and the Women's Land Army now. Pictures 3 and 4 show milk girls in the last war and this.

THE STORY OF THE

HORSE is a romantic one. According to Persian sources, the useful equine was known to ancient Iran several millennia B. C. It was doubtless a descendant of the wild steeds that roamed the plains of Central Asia in the ages preceding the dawn of history. The Persians were probably the world's first horsemen, and the cavalry regiments of their armies were in ancient times considered the finest assemblages of mounted men then known. The conquering hordes of the Iranian kings galloped over the broad lands of the Middle East and swarmed across the Bosphorus into Europe itself.

From the horses of their cavalry sprang the various indigenous breeds of Europe and Asia, one of which was the celebrated strain of Arabia and the Barbary Coast.

It is interesting to note that some scholars claim that the original colour of the horse was a magnificent golden yellow, and the other shades of horseflesh, the various greys, bays, roans and the like, were sports of nature which through some caprice were allowed to supplant the basic hue. In proof of this contention, there have been recent attempts in the great stock ranches of California, Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma and other Western states to reproduce the original golden-hued strain, reputed to have been lost for over four hundred generations. While the efforts of American horse-breeders in this direction

THE HORSE
IN CHINA

By T. Paul Gregory



have not been entirely successful, their attempts have, nevertheless, been highly encouraging. On one live-stock establishment, the Rancho San Fernando Rey in California's pastoral Santa Ynez Valley, are exhibited a trio of gorgeous "Golden Horses" with fair manes and tails, which are justly extolled by admirers as the world's most beautiful animals.

ALTHOUGH THE FINEST HORSES of the present day are generally considered to be of Arabian blood, it should not be forgotten that the sturdiest examples of horseflesh are the stocky little ponies from the broad Mongolian plains. These animals are the so-called "horses" of China, and have been known to the Celestial Empire since 5,000 B. C.

The mythical Chinese Emperor Hwang Ti (B. C. 2598-2598) is said to have kept a stable filled with splendid Mongolian ponies, and there is a reference in Chinese annals to the prowess of Ma Sze-hwang, a veterinary of supernatural abilities. It is related that on one occasion a dragon came to him for treatment. The skilled veterinary saw that the legendary creature was suffering from an ailment of the throat, and forthwith performed upon it the operation of acupuncture. The administration of a potion of healing herbs completed the cure, and the grateful beast flew away with his benefactor into the regions of the blessed.

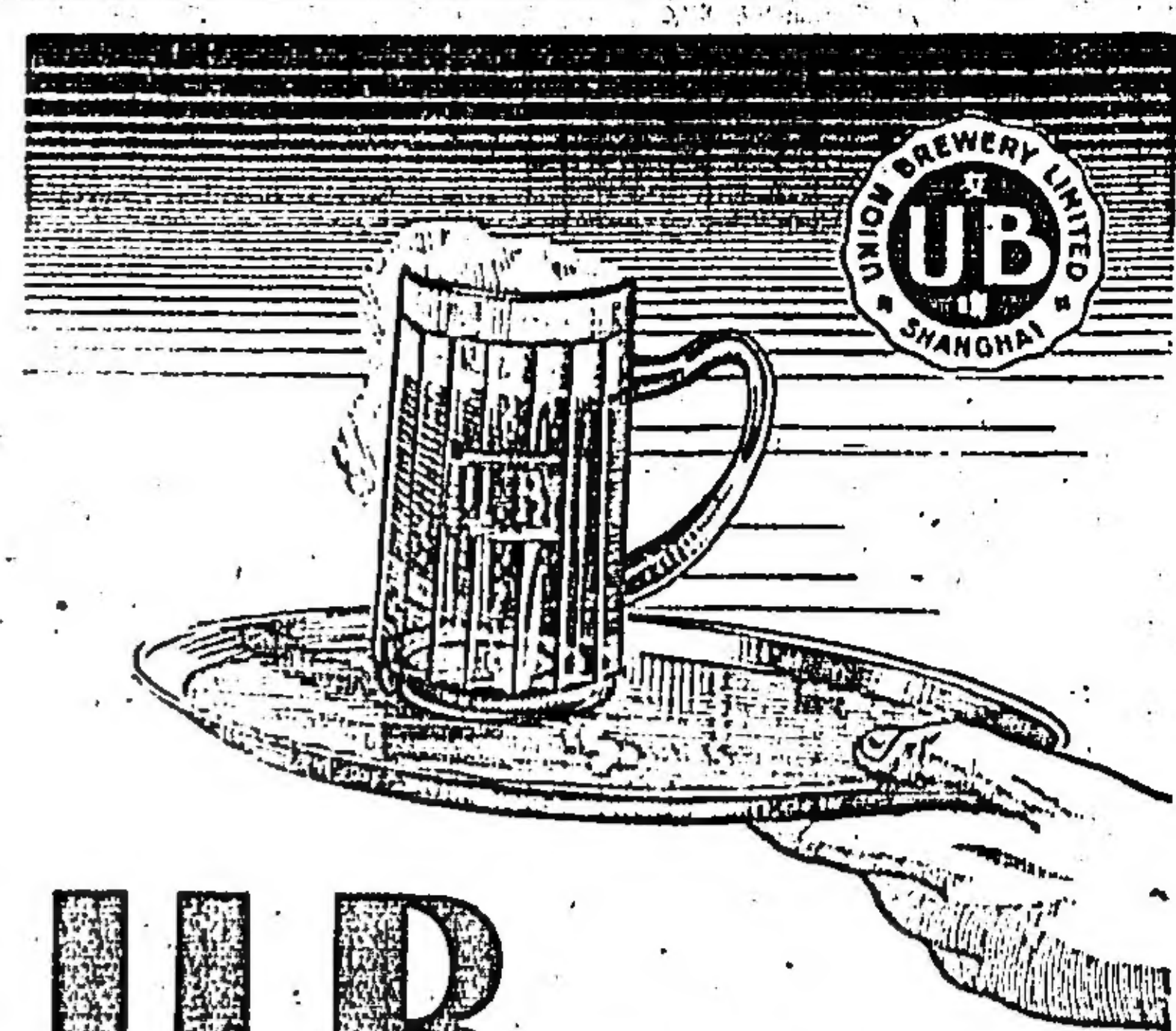
AS FAR AS HONGKONG IS CONCERNED, the horse has only been known here since the occupation of 1841.

The first animals were, of course, those belonging to the garrison. On horse-racing becoming a popular sport in 1845-'46, in emulation of the gymkhanas of India, various cavalry horses of East Indian stock were raced in the first fixtures. Later on, with the rapid growth of interest in racing at Happy Valley, many steeds of varying pedigrees were imported, one of which was "Tetoy," a remarkable little Manila pony of barely 13 hands 1½ inches in height, but of such stamina and speed that it carried off the Valley Stakes for nine years in succession (1847-1855).

So successful was this steed that the Hongkong racing public became at once pony enthusiasts, and in the early 'fifties a number of China ponies were imported from Mongolia.

IN THE LATE 'SIXTIES, English thoroughbreds were given a trial on the local track, but the climate was generally found unsuitable for European horseflesh, and the experiment was eventually given up. During the last quarter of the century, Australian ponies were imported and they have proved so successful that these steeds and their Chinese rivals are still favourites in Colony racing circles.

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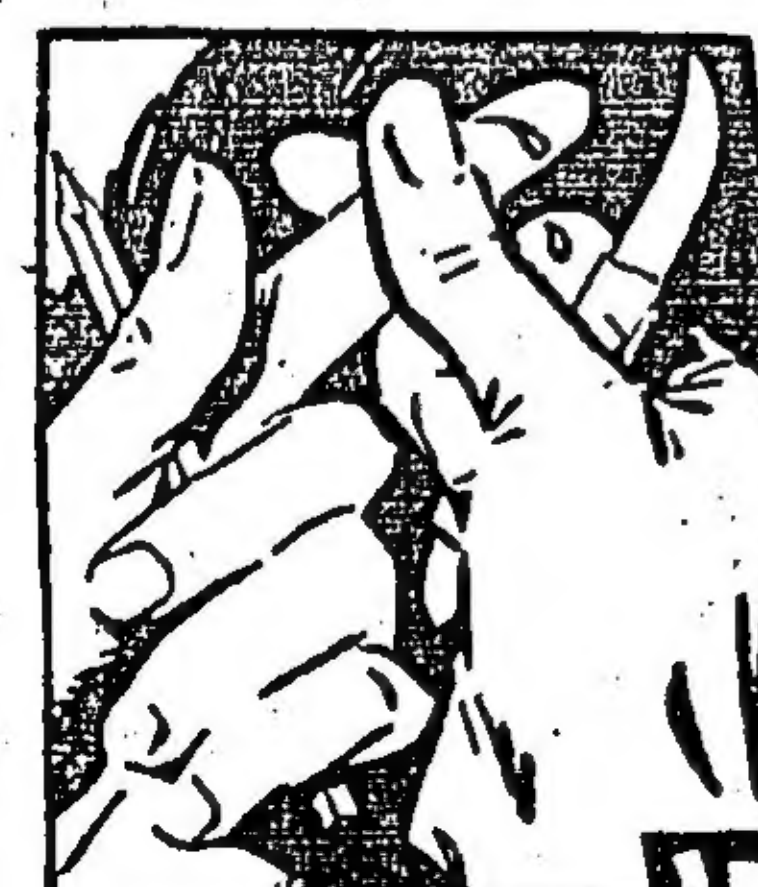


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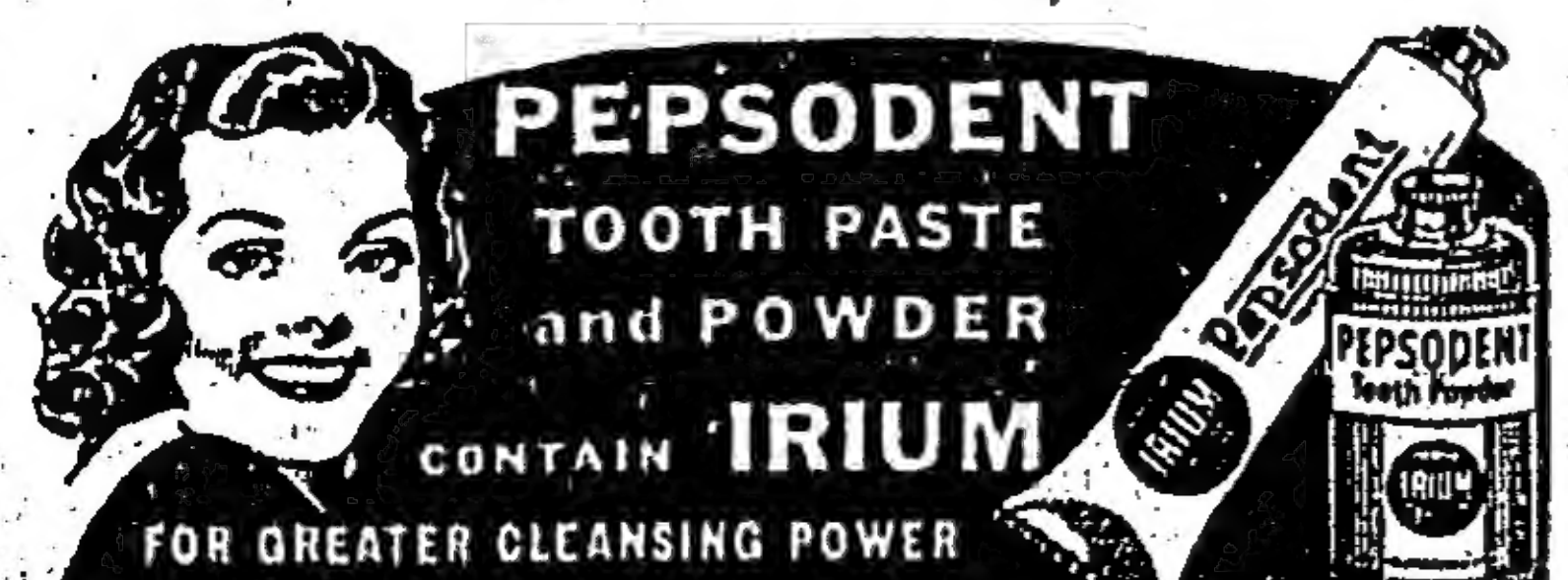
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"Ball Fan's" Baseball Notes

When Ladies Loll In The Bleachers

"Female Of Species More Deadly Than Male"

Letting One's Hair Down

"LADIES DAY at the ball park." The aforesaid event is as big an affair with the femmes nowadays in most organized baseball leagues in the United States and Canada as those old four o'clock gabfests over tea-cups which have been an absolute necessity for the weaker sex, as a means for letting out superfluous air, since the ancient stoneage days.

Ladies day, in case it is forgotten, is the big day each week when the boy friend can take his gal, his gal's girl friend, his sisters and any others of the feminine class, out to the ball park, for an extremely reasonable-spending afternoon or night, if it happens to be a night game.

In other words it's a free admission game for the ladies, but "boy-oh-boy!" the jargulous baseball lullaby or lingo dished out by these señoritas of the gashouse section, just about drives a guy, with all the sincerity in the world, to the cleaners.

When a shrieking horde fills the ball park, the chances are that more home runs will develop than if the bleachers were cluttered with a bunch of sour-faced salesmen.

A salesman or a movie house usher never gets excited or enthusiastic unless somebody clouts a bouncer, but the Amazon rusters percolate shrilly for pop flies and "almost safe" plays such as force-outs and double-plays. This gets the batters so curious that they knock home runs just to see what will happen.

LET'S just try to imagine the sweet picture of a ladies' day here at our Chatham Road ball park. "Did we say imagine?" The atmosphere about our green ball orchard would definitely verge on the word "refined."

It would be pleasant, don't you think, to hear silks rustling through the turnstiles and watch nimble hands with red-painted finger nails peck daintily into horsehide purses.

The blue haze of cigar smoke that ordinarily wafts over the stands would be replaced by a cloud of scented face powder. And if there was any stamping, your ears would not be deafened by the loud thud of size 10 or 12 flat-ear boots, but would surely tingle to the delicate pitter of the latest styled summer pumps, similar to those exhibited in the shoe stores along Hongkong's swanky shopping districts.

WE'LL say that Mrs. Bibbsy Ainsterville of Shum Chun (Hongkong side) and Miss Waldemar Casanova—her neighbour, are guests on ladies' day. They arrive at the park between the 2nd and 3rd innings—it being fashionable to come late—and out across the green pastures by centre and left field, then get their dainty little shoes all wet and soaked in trying to negotiate that "all-time" wet spot by the stands.

Desiring a nice big popsicle to cool off in the terrific heat, Miss Waldemar Casanova searches for a dime in her handbag, uprooting in the process, six hairpins, powder puff, a handkerchief, a mirror and a stub of a pencil, used for jotting down the formula for making cookies and the names of good dressmakers.

They park themselves on a couple of seats behind the Chung Hwa Maroon bench. Mrs. Ainsterville deposits her feet on the shoulder blades of the woman in front, a stout lady with her Easter Sunday frock, on its second outing.

This party turns around and snarls. "Well sister I see you've got

Weekly Wind-up

H. B. Brewers' dramatic withdrawal from the ball loop, at the thick of the pennant fight, brought out that big invisible sign with the words, "That's all folks! The league race is all over."

And the season is only hitting its half way mark.

H. B. and Mindanao are just about the only drawing cards at the ball park—it's the fans that make any league in any big time sport—Baseball's no exception. The gap between these two teams and the rest of the league, is as deep as the Pacific is wide.

Seems there won't be much profit, if any, in this year's league take-in.

The Redbird Cardinals held their final preparation softball meeting early this week—Dave "Dixie" Walker will again be head coach of this winsome girls' softball entry, with Romeo Hamet and Victor Lim chosen as his two assistants. The front office duties have been taken over by K.F.C. Ogden—Walker's Cardinals have already started serious practice. With Dolly Brown definitely slated to twirl, these Redbirds will be just about one of the classiest teams in the loop.

Jay Wong, Maple Leaf Canuckette outfielder is well on her way to recovery, after a recent season in the hospital—Dito Doris Mar, hard-playing Wildcat first sacker, who was also in the hospital recently.

The Canuckettes and Redbird Cardinals expect to start summer basketball practices next week at the Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. Along with Celeste Maroon's Baby Bandiera, they'll probably take in friendly games against each other—Starry Players on South China A.A.'s classy men's cage quintet are coaching these three girls' hoop teams—There's a possibility that the Chung Hwa Maroon softballettes may also form a team, making it a four team series.

"Tough riding dogs. Why don't you enter them in the races?" "Throttle that harmony," snaps Mrs. Ainsterville. Then turning to the diamond she opens her mouth and yells: "Bump the onion kid, he ain't got nothing but a prayer."

What do you think of twirler Stein versus speedballer McStone? demands the fellow ball fan to the left, a short woman wearing crepe de chine, in tropical coloured purple, trimmed with florentina effect.

Mrs. Ainsterville munches down a big chunk of hot dog smothered in relish and mustard, before answering. "Well," she says, "I think speedballer McStone has awfully nice hair. He's cute on the bases too."

"Listen sister," interrupts the woman in front with the Easter Sunday dress, "Stein has McStone beaten by at least thirty ways. He

League Leaders Virtually Crowned



Pinky Higgins, Mohawks, rounding third with Texato Ng, South China third baseman watching his team-mates chase the ball.—Ming Yuen.

Local Basketeers Favour New Offensive Spectacular And Effective

IN BASKETBALL as in most other games, offence is most attractive from both a player's and a spectator's point of view. It signifies the spirit of all democratic sports. It identifies the individual or team with progress.

Lawn Bowls League Programme

The following is the programme of League lawn bowls matches for this afternoon:

First Division	
Police	v. Recreio "A"
Kowloon C.C.	v. C.C.C.
Recreio "B"	v. C.S.C.C.
K.B.G.C. "A"	v. Indian R.C.
K.B.G.C. "B"	v. K. Docks
Second Division	
Prison O.C.	v. Recreio
K. Tong	v. H.K.C.C.
H.K.F.C.	v. Kowloon C.C.
C.C.C.	v. Talkoo
Third Division	
Indian R.C.	v. C.C.C.
Kowloon F.C.	v. K.B.G.C.
Recreio	v. H.K.F.C.
Electric	v. Police

has nice eyes, a nice build and a nice chin. He'd make McStone look like a bum dressed up. I wish they played ball in evening clothes just so you could see for yourself."

The next batter is a tall, fine-looking fellow, a la the "high, wide and handsome" type, and there is a flurry of excitement. The fans reach hurriedly for their powder puffs and everyone hopes he will knock a triple so they can get a good look at him when he rounds second base. The kid is a rocket and has a batting average of .121, just about the lowest in the league.

"What two strikes?" screams Mrs. Ainsterville. "Who's that ump. The big walrus. You bungler. Trying to pull a fast one on such a nice boy. You remind me of my old 'clim'."

"Racketeer!" screams the other bleacherites en masse. "Hi Jackerl Porch climber!"

BUT there is a mighty crack of the bat. The ball describes a boomerang, landing in the bleachers and putting the game in the cooling box, or in other words, on ice. Instantly six wild feminine fous lunge for the old ankle. Mrs. Ainsterville sniffs and snarls, although somebody snarls on her face and another party tries to buyonet her with a hairpin.

"You got it," she cries triumphantly. "Say, this will make a dandy ball for darning socks."

And so the afternoon wears on until the last out has been chalked up in the scorebook. The usual confident-speaking line again comes out as Mrs. Ainsterville heads toward the exit.

"It certainly was a swell game eh? Baseball is wonderful. Its intricate plays, the pitchers' change of pace, those dazzling hook slides—I really look for all these intricacies every time I go to a ball game."

"Gr—gr—gr," says I. "wouldn't you?"

The old axiom on offence play says, "When you possess the ball, the other team cannot score."

And since the elimination of the tip-off at centre after each basket is scored, offence, in the cage game, has seen the greatest transformation of any.

A team that is lagging can no longer sit back in a five-man set defence and play a waiting game, but must go down the court and force the play. This tends to open up play, "produces" more action, speeds out the defence and brings about fast handling over the entire court.

A peculiar characteristic of many cage teams in China is the fact that fast open basketball is generally favoured in offensive play, and, as a result, the elimination of the tip-off has been welcomed, generally. It has dispensed with that so-called "tall man" advantage at the centre jump, and gives a team, scored against, a chance to open up with possession of the ball.

THE fast break play, although not always on the winning side of the scorebook, assures basketball fans of action and thrills. As a threat, it is highly effective in breaking up a set defence using the zone principle, or the pressing man-to-man style.

It is sometimes called the "heeler skelter" or "slam bang" system, and its main purpose is to beat the opponent down the court, or to get one man clearly in the open, to gain the advantage of an extra offensive man at split moments.

However, when three or more defensive men are set under their goal, the fast break principle is lost.

THE screening system, requiring minute-made co-operation, hit the Colony with a big bang a few years back, and caused local basketball enthusiasts no small amount of excitement.

Cage fans showed a keen interest in this type of "taking a man out" offence that entailed more or less accidental bodily contact in a moderated form.

It looks the "goods" when put into motion by highly trained teams in the heart of the basketball world across the Pacific; but on this side of the earth, very few if any of the teams have been able to master even the fundamental principles of screening.

Best example of screening ever seen in Hongkong was the occasion a couple of years back, when Vancouver's brilliant Maple Leafs gave an exhibition game in the Colony during their Far East tour.

The visiting Canadian cage artists gave a spectacular exhibition of coordinated screening that had the local hoopsters completely baffled, and thrilled the capacity crowd at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gym.

THE fireball game used by some of the teams in America with a certain amount of success, comprises fast passing, short and long passing

Scramble For Third Placing

(By "Ball Fan")

STUNNED by last week's sudden spectacular events which led to the dabbling of a big black spot in the annals of local baseball history, the back-bounding six team loop resumes its week-end card this afternoon at 2.15 p.m. with the Royal Engineers opening against South China's bottom-placed nine.

With the pennant chase as good as over, and with the combined Tulsa-Asheville gang a certainty for second place, ball fans expect a real ball-playing scramble for the third spot.

The Sappers have shown a big all-round improvement since the start of the season and should chalk up an easy victory to-day against the "out and out" Caroline Hillmen. Engineer outfielder Babe Cork, injured a few weeks ago chasing a fly ball, has rounded back into shape again and will probably start at his old stamping grounds in right field.

Referees appointed are Ski Pow-lowski, Stan Leonard and Bill Chang. With the official nightcap ill cancelled, the league secretary is trying to arrange a game between Mindanao's terrific M and the Chung Hwa Maroons, for this afternoon at 4 p.m.

H.K.B.C.'s marauding Mohawks clash in the Sabbath day encounter with Mindanao's terrific M, starting at 10 a.m. Tommy Chan, Nip Lum and P. F. Choy are booked to handle this one. The "M" are sailing directly into their second straight championship and will probably send the Redskins out with another high-scoring loss.

Schedule

At Chatham Road

To-day

2.15 p.m. Royal Engineers v. South China.
4 p.m. Mindanao v. Chung Hwa Maroons

To-morrow

10 a.m. Mindanao v. H.K.B.C.

Narrow Escape For Gimblett

HAROLD GIMBLETT, Somerset and England cricketer, now a whole-time member of the A.F.S., had two of his squad killed and one injured during a recent raid on Bristol. Gimblett himself was unhurt.

and long shooting tactics with a continuous dash for the basket. The players are after the ball at all times.

If this, players are trained to be on the alert every moment; to intercept opposing passes for either a quick dash down the floor or for a fast break with long and short passes, working the ball down to the basket.—Bill Woo.

Basketball Mulligan

The Colony's summer open league starts on Monday, July 22, at the Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A.—Double-headers will be staged every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, starting at 7.30 p.m.—The new lighting system, at the open air court, looks the berries from this angle—Twelve lamps with 300 "watt" bulbs in each, will transform the place into a brilliantly lit basketball court.

Fourteen teams are rarin' to get started—Silva's Trojans are dickering to sign on a few Mindanao tars—Some pretty good basketball should be seen during the strenuous season.

Physical director Sek Chen-tack states that loud speakers will be installed on the court, and fans will enjoy the strains of music during the games.

Nearest approach to the perfect game, we've ever seen, was a little while back, when Long Island University dazzled over 18,000 yelling cage fans at the Madison Square Gardens in the heart of New York City, with a masterful team—Adrian "Burrhead" Urv—Incidentally, Long Island Univ.'s varsity cage travel to Puerto Rico in Central America for their pre-season tune-up U.S.A.

Nick Beltrac looked pretty hot against the Police Hoopsters last week—Adrian Burrhead Urv—Incidentally, Long Island Univ.'s varsity cage travel to Puerto Rico in Central America for their pre-season tune-up U.S.A.

That grand veteran of the cage game here in the Colony, Slew Kilman, will again lead the strong South China squad in quest of the W. T. Chen Cup—The starry veteran has played on South China A.A. teams the past sixteen years, and is still one of the mainstays of the Caroline Hill Cagemen.

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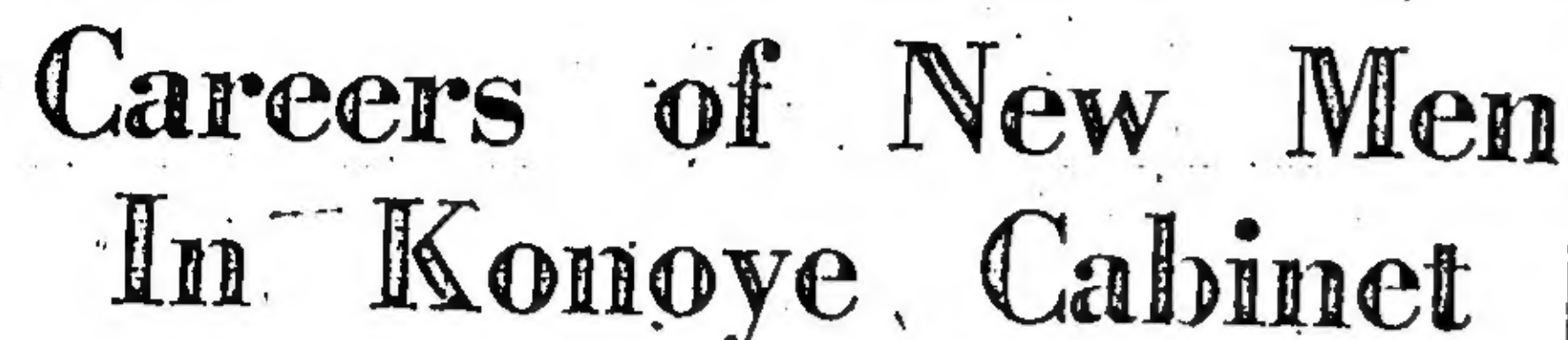
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By Ernie Bushmiller



TOKYO, July 18 (Domei).—Admiral Teijiro Toyoda who has been installed as the Foreign Minister in the new Konoze Cabinet, is known as one of the most level-headed and capable men in the Japanese Navy and the hand of the 56-year-old Admiral at the tiller of Japan's foreign policy is expected to impart stability to the nation's course in the trouble international waters.

His grandfather, Mr Hayata Toyoda, was employed in the Tokugawa Shogunate's coast guard service and was once assigned to the duty of watching Wakayama's approaches for "blackships" from America.

A brilliant future was predicted for young Toyoda when he graduated first in his class in 1905 from the Naval Academy. His service with the Navy gave him a broad and liberal education. He served as assistant naval attache with the Japanese Embassy in London from 1923 to 1924 and was chosen one year later at 32 years of age as one of the members of the Japanese delegation to the Naval Disarmament Conference at Geneva.

He attained fluency in English during these years, a point which won him in good stead when he acted as one of the official welcome-ers at the time the Lytton Commission visited Japan following the Manchurian Incident.

As the Director of the Naval Construction Bureau in 1938 he made suggestions for basic changes in naval architecture which were incorporated in Japanese warships. He was Vice-Minister of the Navy in 1940 and the United States Congress passed appropriations for the construction of defense projects on Guam. While Japanese hands were clamouring for action, Admiral Toyoda coolly advised the Emperor to keep their ships on.

Vice Admiral Sahonji
Vice-Admiral Masazo Sahonji, Minister of Commerce and Industry of the new Konoye Cabinet, is 62 years old. After graduating from the Naval Academy in 1901, he was promoted to the rank of Admiral in 1928. While in the Navy he served as Staff Officer of the Training Squadron, Military Attache in England and Germany, commanded the battleship Nagato, and was Director of the Personnel Affairs Bureau and the Naval Affairs Bureau. In 1929, he was dispatched to London as an assistant delegate to the Imperial Conference.

Mr Owen Lattimore, personal political adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, was entertained on Thursday at the Peninsula Hotel by Chinese members of the Institute of Pacific Relations. Picture shows (left to right) Dr Robert Lim, Director of the Chinese Red Cross Medical Relief Unit, Mr Hsu Shih-ying, Chairman of the National Relief Commission and former Ambassador to Japan, and Mr Lattimore. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

C. V. JAMIESON and S. J. MARVIN brought off something of a surprise in the lawn bowls Fairs Championship yesterday when they beat T. R. Hunter and I. Jack 2-15 at the Police R.C. Over the first nine heads, it appeared that Hunter and Jack would be winners for their bowling.

NEW YORK, July 18 (UP).—Leaders of the National Baseball League met to-day in one of their all-important fixtures, and St. Louis Cardinals, second, trounced Brooklyn Dodgers, the leaders, 6-1. Scores were:

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—According to well-informed Bernese circles, a number of famous doctors, among them Professor Krause, have been summoned to attend Hitler, states Moscow Radio.

Specialists for nervous diseases took part in the consultations.

Hitler, it declared, had an attack of epilepsy when attending a War Council at his headquarters.

There is no confirmation of this report in London.

HULL, July 19 (UP).—The Luftwaffe sharply attacked this city last night causing widespread damage and numerous casualties in shelters, three of which were demolished in one blast. Many houses and stores were damaged.

The following appointments in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force are notified in the Government Gazette:
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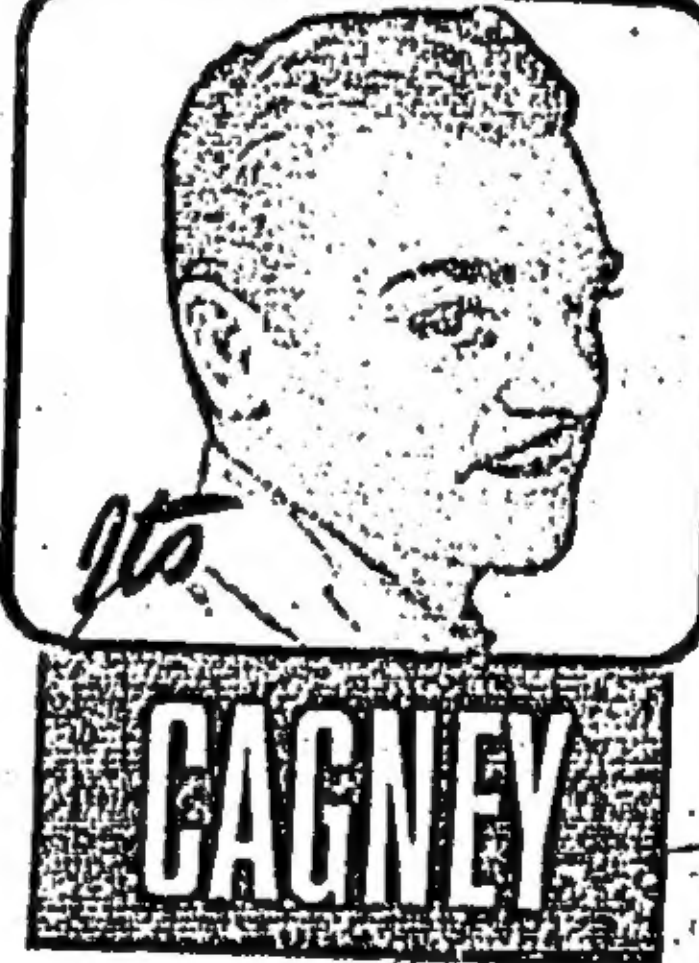
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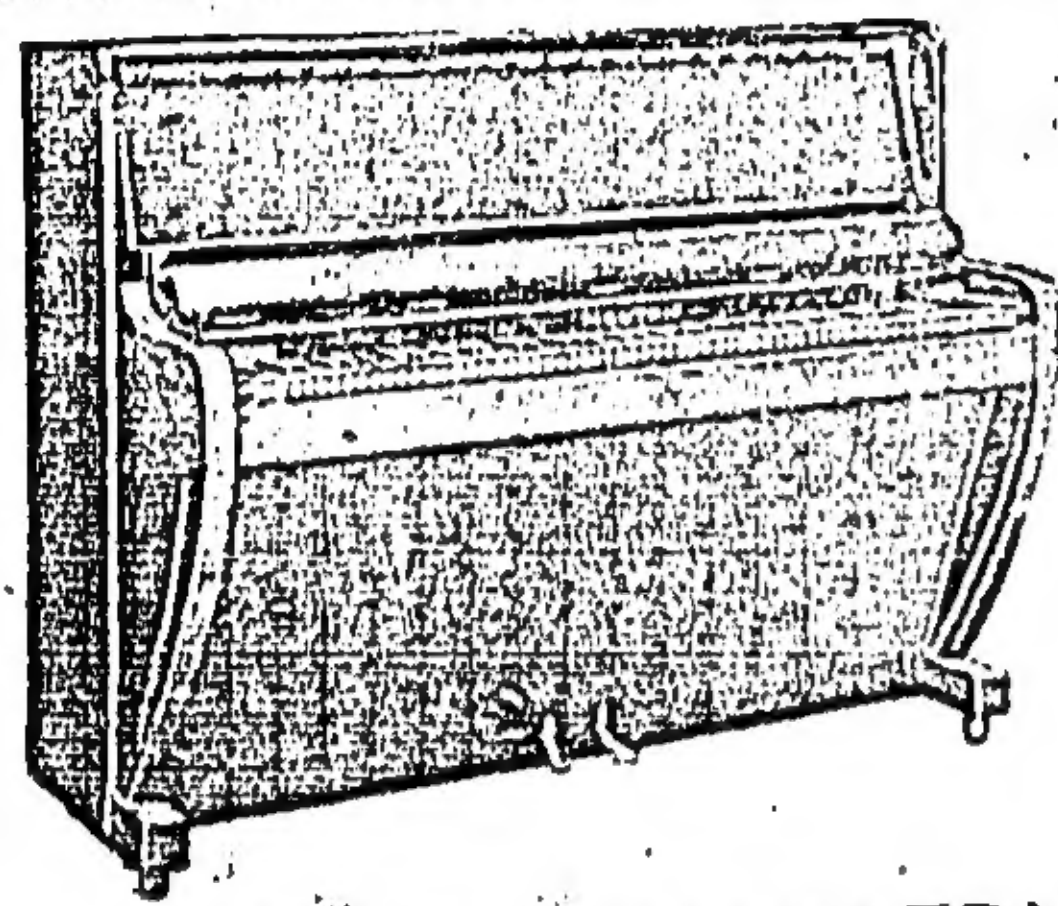
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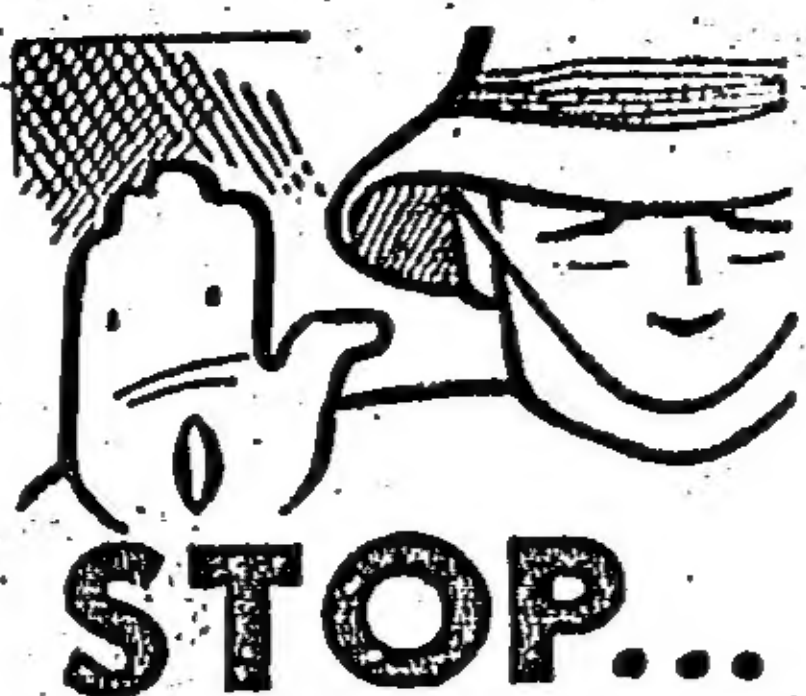
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forgotten within 24 hours. He
took a day to form his third
Cabinet and the results have
merely left the pundits more and
more in the dark as to the future
role which Japan intends to
play in international affairs.

For the key post of Foreign
Minister, Prince Konoze has
introduced Admiral Teijiro
Toyoda, a gentleman whose
political career is practically
unknown outside of Japan; the
appointment provides an anti-
climax to the intense specula-
tions which followed the resigna-
tion of Mr Matsuoka, but to
what extent Admiral Toyoda is
likely to affect Japan's foreign
policy, there is little or no in-
dication. His record, though,
hardly brands him as an ex-
tremist. Prince Konoze appears
to have managed to temporise
successfully with the military
clique by the inclusion of two
additional Generals; the Navy
possesses two more representa-
tives in Admiral Toyoda and
Vice-Admiral Sakonji, while he
has met popular press demands
by extinguishing party in-
fluences. The Premier appears
to have struck the balance
neatly without conceding any of
his own power and influence—a
striking achievement.

Whether the new Cabinet will
adopt a more moderate policy in
international affairs, or whether it
will bow to extremist influences and
intensify the country's belligerence
cannot, at this stage, be discussed.
On the other hand Japan and the
world are not likely to be left very
long wondering what policy will be
adopted; Japan's intricate position
vis-a-vis both the democracies and
her political Axis partners will de-
mand early decisions; but she can-
not afford to make them lightly, nor
is it likely she is desirous of com-
mitting herself without providing
some line of retreat. Prince Konoze
and his henchmen have a hazardous
path to travel; the nation is display-
ing signs of nervousness at the con-
tinued and expensive stalemate in
China; a northward drive supplies
attractive pipe dreams, but any such
venture must be highly costly and
more than likely disastrous from the
military viewpoint; a southward
mission via Indo-China may be
undertaken without serious cost; but
it will gravely implicate Japan for
the future and may well be the cause
of bringing about the very thing
which Japan does not want—war
with the United States and Britain.
Prince Konoze is certain to weigh
the pros and cons before making any
far-reaching decision. One may ex-
pect caution to be his watchword for
the time being.

"We Are Desperate" Says H.K. Evacuee

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work in Hongkong," she complained,
"but we are just told to 'sit tight'.
"Most galling to us is the fact that
many wives are coming down from
Hongkong with their husbands for a
holiday here, enjoying themselves,
and then going back. Is that fair?"

Mrs Clemo said there were now
about 800 Hongkong families in
Sydney. They liked the city, but it
was not home, and was also "terribly
expensive."

Most Australians, she added,
thought the Hongkong women were
being entirely supported by the
British Government. This was not so.
Husbands were contributors to
their wives' expenses, and keeping
themselves at the same time.

"Many of the men are getting into
debt in Hongkong, and in Sydney,"
she said. "If only somebody would
listen to us, and give us a chance to
return."

Mr Maughan's Views

"My sympathies are with the
women in Australia who wish to re-
join their husbands in Hongkong,
but I have no official information of
any possibility of their being re-
patriated," said the Liaison Officer
of the Hongkong Government (Mr
Maughan).

Mrs Maughan was commenting on
protests by wives who have not been
able to obtain permits to return to
Hongkong.

He said that there were 1,504
Hongkong women and children in
Australia, and they could not return
until the Hongkong Government
gave its approval.

"I appreciate the eagerness of
wives and children to return to their
husbands and fathers," he said. "I
am also convinced that the Governor
of Hongkong will take immediate
steps to effect that reunion when the
position warrants it."

Discrimination Complaint

One Hongkong woman wrote to
"The Sun" stating that "after 18
months of separation and heart-
break," the Hongkong wives were
justified in asking for an immediate
reunion with their husbands.

"Why may we not be permitted to
return and, if necessary, fill the so-
called essential positions that the
female shirkers now occupy, and
thus enable them to fulfil their
obligations of evacuation?" she asked.

"Maybe, this procedure would
banish evacuation, present and future,
if those remaining there were
given a taste of our year of misery."
"Keep your chins up, men," she
added. "May the ban be lifted and
let right and justice prevail."

Schools Reopened

It is a year since the evacuation
of Hongkong women and children
took place. Reports from Hongkong
have indicated that the "bachelor
husbands" there are as dissatisfied as
their wives are here.

Two Hongkong women whose hus-
bands came with them on leave to
Australia, but had to return without
them four months ago, asked: "If it
is all right for the schools to be re-
opened in Hongkong, why must we
remain here?"

Alleging discrimination, they said
that one Hongkong woman went
back a month ago, after being here
for only 16 weeks, and that others
had gone on the last boat.

"Even if trouble should arise in
Hongkong, we want to be with our
husbands," they said. "If they are
to fight, we should be with them, the
same as the women in England. It
would make them feel all the more
that they had something to fight for."

Moderates In Tokyo Key Posts

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Minister, Admiral Oikawa, issued a
joint statement pledging the fullest
support to the war-time Cabinet and
declaring that the basic policies of
the nation will remain unaltered.

It is officially announced that the
next meeting of the Cabinet is
scheduled for July 22.

First Cabinet Session

TOKYO, July 18 (UP).—The
Premier, Prince Konoze, summoned
the first Cabinet session at his official
residence at 9.55 which lasted until
10.13 p.m. after which the Premier
issued a statement saying that he is
determined to realise the fundamen-
tal renovation of the national struc-
ture for a "bold and swift" realisation
of the Government's fixed policies to
deal with the increasingly grave
world situation.

The Minister of War, Lt-General
Mitsuo Taka, and the Minister of the
Navy, Admiral Koshiro Oikawa also
issued statements pledging their
fullest support. They declared that
the basic policies of the nation
remain unchanged.

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scheduled for July 22.

LEASE & LEND REPAYMENT

No Profit For Britain

WASHINGTON, July 18 (Reuters).—
President Roosevelt told reporters
today that the question of the re-
payment of materials sent to Britain
under the Lease and Lend Act was
"in the talking stage."

He had no information about it.
Asked whether it was possible for
Britain to make a profit on the Lease
and Lend materials—for instance by
selling them at a higher price than
that at which it was transferred—
the President said that he doubted
whether there was any desire in Brit-
ain to make a profit on food or any-
thing else.

On Thursday, July 24, at 9.30 p.m.,
His Excellency the Governor will be
present at the King's Theatre at the
first screening of "Forty Thousand
Horsemen," of which 55 per cent of
the proceeds will be given to the
S. C. M. Post-Bomber Fund.

Work of Heroes Too Secret To Be Revealed

LONDON, July 18 (Reuters).

A posthumous award of the Earl of
Suffolk and posthumous special
commendations for Miss Beryl
Morden of Leytonstone, London,
and Fred Hards of Penze, Lon-
don, were announced to-night.

The awards were in recognition of
six months of work prior to the re-
cipients' deaths for the Directorate of
Scientific Research in the Ministry of
Supply of such a secret nature that it
cannot be disclosed until after the war.

The citation says that Lord Suffolk
and his team volunteered for this
work in full knowledge of the
extreme dangers involved and carried
it through with "unsurpassing devotion
and conspicuous success."

Appointments Announced

The following appointments
were announced in to-day's
Government "Gazette":

Mr E. Davidson to be temporarily
an Unofficial Member of the Legis-
lative Council in the place of the
late Hon. Sir H. Dodwell, who is
temporarily absent from the Colony,
with effect from July 17.

Mr E. B. Lambert to be Superin-
tendent of Crown Lands and Surveys,
with effect from February 11.

Mr A.H.S. Major to be a Deputy
Immigration Officer, with effect
from June 30.

Inspector E. B. Thorpe to be
Assistant Immigration Officer, with
effect from June 30.

The Hon. Mr A. L. Shields to act
as a Member of the Authorised
Architects Consulting Committee,
also to be a member of the Appeal
Tribunal; and to act as a Member of
the Advisory Committee set up for
the purpose of Regulation 18 of the
Colonial Defence Regulations all
during the absence from the Colony
of Mr S. H. Dodwell.

PERSONNEL FOR A.R.P.

Fire Fighters and Tunnel Wardens Needed

"Recruiting for A.R.P. workers is
going on very well, and the only per-
sonnel I am a bit short on are fire-
fighters and fire-watchers," declared
Wing-Comdr A. H. S. Steele-Perkins,
Director of Air Raid Precautions, at
yesterday's Press conference.

Wing-Comdr Steele-Perkins re-
vealed that there were four to five
hundred recruits at present, but
many more were needed. He said
that ten fire-fighter instructors were
being trained at the present time.
They were taking a small fire brigade
course first, which would last about
a month, after which they would be
given instructions in how to deal
with incendiary bombs at the A.R.P.
centre.

They were also short of tunnel
wardens, said Wing-Comdr Steele-
Perkins. Tunnel wardens would be
in the safest place during an air raid,
he said, but only a few had applied
for the posts. They must be over
25 years of age, and well-balanced
people.

Regarding the coming black-out
exercises, the Director of A.R.P. said
that they were going to concentrate
more on Kowloon side than on the
Island. He appealed for full co-
operation in making the exercises a
success, and stated that the Police
and wardens have been instructed to
take action whenever the black-out
lighting instructions are not observed.

"Mr Chips" Is Back Again

Its not "Good-bye, Mr Chips"
any more. It's "Hullo, Mr
Chips!" For the shy, good-
humoured Classics master who
inspired the famous James Hil-
ton novel and film is back in
the classroom again at the age
of 72.

He is Mr W. H. Bagnall, who is
teaching yet another generation of
the boys of Leys School, Cambridge
(now evacuated to Pithchery, Perth-
shire).

His nickname with the boys is not
"Chips," but "Hooley." The war
has called "Hooley" out
of retirement.

Like "Mr Chips," "Hooley" invites
the boys to have tea with him in his
room; tells them of their fathers' es-
capades; went to live in a house near
the school when he "retired" some
time ago.

Canadian Aircraft Production

OTTAWA, July 18 (Reuters).—
Canadian production of aircraft for
the last month ended June 30 was
ten times the whole output for 1939,
according to Mr C. D. Howe, Minis-
ter of Munitions. He gave no actual
figures, but said that the output of
the last quarter exceeded the output
of the previous quarter by two per
cent, while the output for the first
half of the present year was more
than the output for all of last year.

Canton, July 18.

About a dozen German merchants
from Melshien, Hingning, and
Shikwan, came to Swatow follow-
ing the break with Germany by the
Chinese Government.—Wai Kiu Yoi
Po.

EXTRAVAGANT GERMAN CLAIMS

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at several points, and destroying
nine Soviet batteries.

Southeast of Smolensk the Ger-
mans were attacked by more than
200 Soviet tanks, D.N.B. states, the
greater part of which were 52-ton
T-34s. This fight took place north
of Krasn. It is stated that after a
brief engagement the Soviet forces
lost 210 tanks and the remainder
were repulsed.

D.N.B. also claims that German
bombers and anti-aircraft guns
yesterday shot down 60 planes and
destroyed 15 on the ground.

German bombers are stated to
have encountered Soviet naval forces
in Riga bay, east of the island of
Oesel, and severely damaged five
Soviet destroyers. The shipyards at
Libau fell into German hands with-
out serious damage, and four sub-
marines and the minesweeper Lenin
were also captured.

Libau Undamaged

LONDON, July 18 (Reuters).—
That the harbour and docks of
Libau, Latvia, fell more or less
undamaged into German hands is
the claim put out by the official
German news agency to-day.

The agency adds that at the same
time four Soviet submarines and
minesweepers were captured.

In the fighting around Libau, it
added, Soviet losses were three times
greater than the German losses,
"according to an estimate of well-
informed quarters."

In the German communiqué of
Monday, June 30, the Germans
claimed to have captured Libau.

Hitler's Communique

BERLIN, July 18 (UP).—The head-
quarters of the Fuehrer issued a
communiqué to-day declaring that
Smolensk has been in German hands
since Wednesday and that Soviet
attempts to retake it have been
thwarted.

The advance through the Stalin
line was made between Vitebsk and
Mogilev, and has now extended be-
yond Smolensk.

Petition Presented To Mr Lattimore

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be of service to China in the present
struggle against Japan if he is set
free. Three points are mentioned:—
1. Chang Hsueh-liang would be in
a position to effect a lasting rap-
prochement between the Kuomintang
and Chinese Communist parties on
account of his association with lead-
ing figures on both sides. The Young
Marshal is highly respected by the
Communists for his attempt to bring
about a United Front in China, even
to the extent of kidnapping Chiang
Kai-shek at Sian and forcing a de-
cision. The Sian incident is referred
to as the turning point of republican
Chinese unity.

2. Chang Hsueh-liang, it is pointed
out, would be able to regain the
allegiance of two well-known former
Manchurian military leaders, Gen-
erals Pau Man-yue and Hu Yui-
kwan, who are now respectively
Minister of War and Commander-in-
Chief of Kiangsu, Shantung and
Honan in the Nanking regime. These
two generals have been entrusted
with the organisation of an Army
by Wang Ching-wei, and the num-
ber of troops they have at their
command at the present time is
estimated to be over 100,000. It is
understood that they have given a
reliable indication of their willingness
to renounce their association with Wang
and work for Chinese resistance
under Chungking. If the Young Mar-
shal is released, thus providing a
token of the Central Government's
sincerity.

Manchurian Movement

3. Chang is regarded as the only
man who is able to lead a native
Manchurian movement of active
resistance that could form a valu-
able part of the national Chinese
war effort. There is said to be
widespread sympathy for these aims
among the Manchurians in the
northern provinces, but the
movement has not crystallised owing
to the lack of a suitable leader.

The signatories to the petition
request Mr Lattimore to place the
facts before the Generalissimo and
use his good offices to secure the
Young Marshal's freedom.

New Japanese Troop Concentrations

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There have, in fact, been indica-
tions recently of withdrawals of
Japanese forces in practically all sec-
tors in China, according to infor-
mation reaching Chinese quarters,
which emphasise, however, that such
withdrawals do not necessarily mean
that the Japanese are abandoning
any of the important cities they at
present occupy in China.

It is pointed out that there is an
indication that they intend to hold
these key cities, judging from the
elaborate defence works they are
building there.

Only Conclusion

The only conclusion that can be
reached, therefore, is that Japan is
not contemplating any large scale
offensive in China, at present at
least.

The construction of strong defences
enables large numbers of troops to
be withdrawn. Only sufficient forces
will be left behind to hold these
strong points.

Reports of mobilisation in Japan
mention that four divisions are al-
ready complete.

Whether the troops being with-
drawn from China, and those
mobilised in Japan are intended for
the northward or southward moves
cannot be ascertained.

HAWKER PROBLEM

Investigation Committee
Suggested

A motion for the appointment of
a committee to investigate the
hawker problem will be brought
before the Legislative Council at its
next meeting. The motion is spon-
sored by the three Chinese repre-
sentatives on the Council, but will
be brought in the name of the Hon.
Mr M. K. Lo as senior Chinese
member, who has already given
Government notice to this effect.

It is understood that the motion
is the sequel to an appeal by the
Hawkers' Guild following the an-
nouncement by Government of its
intention to abolish the sale of cook-
ed food by itinerant hawkers and on
stalls.

The terms of the motion are:
"That, in the opinion of this Coun-
cil, in view of the great importance
of the hawker question in relation to
hawkers themselves as well as to
the general public, Government
should appoint a committee to in-
vestigate, consider and report on this
question generally with special re-
ference to the following points:

(1) To what extent is the system
of hawkers necessary in the interests
of the poorer classes of the com-
munity?

(2) Under what safeguards can
hawkers of food be permitted to con-
tinue to trade without prejudice to
public health?

(3) If considerations of public
health demand the abolition of food
hawking, either in whole or in part,
how such abolition can best be car-
ried out without inflicting undue
hardship on existing hawkers?

(4) As regards hawkers rendered
unemployed as a result of such
abolition of food hawking, what
provision should be made for ab-
sorbing them in other trades or in-
dustries, or what provision should be
made for their relief?

(5) Having regard to the existing
personnel and duties of the Police
Force, how can such abolition of
food hawking be carried out effec-
tively?

(6) What further legislative mea-
sures are necessary to carry out the
recommendations of the Committee?
The motion will be seconded by the
Hon. Mr W. N. T. Tse. It is
understood that it will be vigorously
opposed.

Catalogue Of Old Macao Graves

The Publicity Office of the Macao
Economic Services Department has
just issued a 59-page booklet, "Tomb-
stones in the English Cemeteries at
Macao," compiled by Mr J. M. Braga,
which is a handy reference
volume for all who are interested in
information concerning the early days
of the foreigner's coming to China.

The list of tombstones in both the
East India Company's Cemetery and
the New Protestant Cemetery is sup-
plemented by short biographical data
of those buried there. Though this
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LATE NEWS

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Map of the Russo-German Battle Zone

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LADIES DEPT.

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A British film that has drawn a great deal of appreciative notice, "Twenty-One Days Together," starts its local run to-day at the King's Theatre. It is good to see that film people in the Colony are making an effort to satisfy the popular clamour for more British pictures.

This one is based on the John Galsworthy story, "The First and the Last." It deals with two brothers, one an eminent lawyer, the other a young man whose far from respectable habits are a constant menace to the security of his brother's career.

The wastrel kills a man who has been blackmailing his sweetheart, sees another man arrested for the crime, and decides to snatch a few weeks of happiness before giving himself up.

It would be foolish to deny the faults of "Twenty-One Days Together." It has its over-theatrical moments—there are times when Leslie Banks overdoes the heavy, respectable brother act, just as there are times when Laurence Olivier is a trifle too intense in other part—and it was a mistake to saddle Vivien Leigh, who plays the sweetheart, with a synthetic Russian accent.

But in a film which does convincingly and movingly suggest the emotions of three people caught in a seemingly cruel trap, these are only minor blemishes. Even the device which ensures a happy ending becomes, not just a dramatic trick, but a legitimate relief of suspense.

The production, apart from its theatrical moments, is good, making much of the London setting, and cramming the screen with shrewdly observed "bit" characters. And there is a brilliant performance from Hay Petrie as the man wrongly accused of the murder.

THE MAN I MARRIED

There are many filmgoers who are of the opinion that there has been a surfeit of pictures of Nazi Germany. The sadistic, jackboot, persecution stuff has certainly been seen too often on the screen. But you should not allow this to stop you from seeing "The Man I Married," showing at the Lee Theatre. The moderation, honesty and intelligence of this picture, and above all, the humour, put it in a class by itself.

It deals with an American woman's dilemma when her husband, a business man, takes her to Germany in 1939 and finds that she opposes his beliefs in horror when he joins the Nazi party.

Joan Bennett is the wife, Carol, and Francis Lederer is the husband, Eric Hoffman.

In Germany they meet Frieda Heinkel (Anita Sten), a fanatical pro-Nazi, who seduces Eric away from his convictions and away from his wife.

An intense bitterness arises between them, but Eric's father is on the wife's side, and he plays his trump card to help her. This is a first-rate story beautifully acted, and in Lloyd Nolan, as an American newspaper man, there is a refreshing humour which lights up the whole thing and makes it palatable.

TORRID ZONE

"Torrid Zone," which comes to the Queen's and Alhambra to-morrow, is certainly torrid, and frequently torrid.

Ann, Sheridan, teamed with James Cagney in this narrative, is still the nymph with the oomph. So much so that the last word in the picture is Jimmy Cagney squaring up to Ann with the contemptuous crack: "You—and your 14-carat oomph!"

But the brassy little smile across Cagney's face suggests that it's a compliment.

You see her first as a dancer in the banana country, Puerto Aguirre, told to quit the plantation by the boss, Steve Case (Pat O'Brien) for cheating at cards. Dancer or cheat, Ann is equally oomphful.

James Cagney, Steve's head man, threatens to quit too, as he has a job in America. But his heart is in bananas, and as it turns out he is far from indifferent to oomph.

Ann Sheridan, scattering bitter wisecracks everywhere, is hard, treacherous and glamorous.

And Jimmy Cagney tells us some one's invented a banana with a zip fastener to it. The film, riddled with this sort of stuff, and to students of oomph and fans of Cagney is definitely a picture to see.

STRIKE UP THE BAND

By providing a midnight show this evening, the management of the Queen's Theatre is doing something which will be appreciated by week-end pleasure seekers who go through a dull routine week after week. The show starts to-night at 11.45 p.m., and the picture selected is "Strike Up the Band," which stars Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland.

There is not a lot that is new in this film, but it has punch, freshness, musical aptness, and presents the spirit of youth with ingenious but likable abandon.

As usual, it is Mickey himself who is the life and soul of the party. As a high school boy who organises a swing band, enters a radio competition, organised by Paul Whiteman, after a series of setbacks, and wins it, he is excellent.

His versatility remains unabated; he performs on a flying trapeze, burlesques, gags and acts quite naturally with equal verve.

Judy Garland makes him a good partner. She has looks, confidence and unbounded vitality. Of course, their course of calf love runs far from smoothly.

Paul Whiteman's band puts over swing numbers as one would expect, and that charming little mimic, June Preisler, is once again cast as the menace to Rooney's peace of mind. One of the picture's highlights is a skit on transpontine melodrama.

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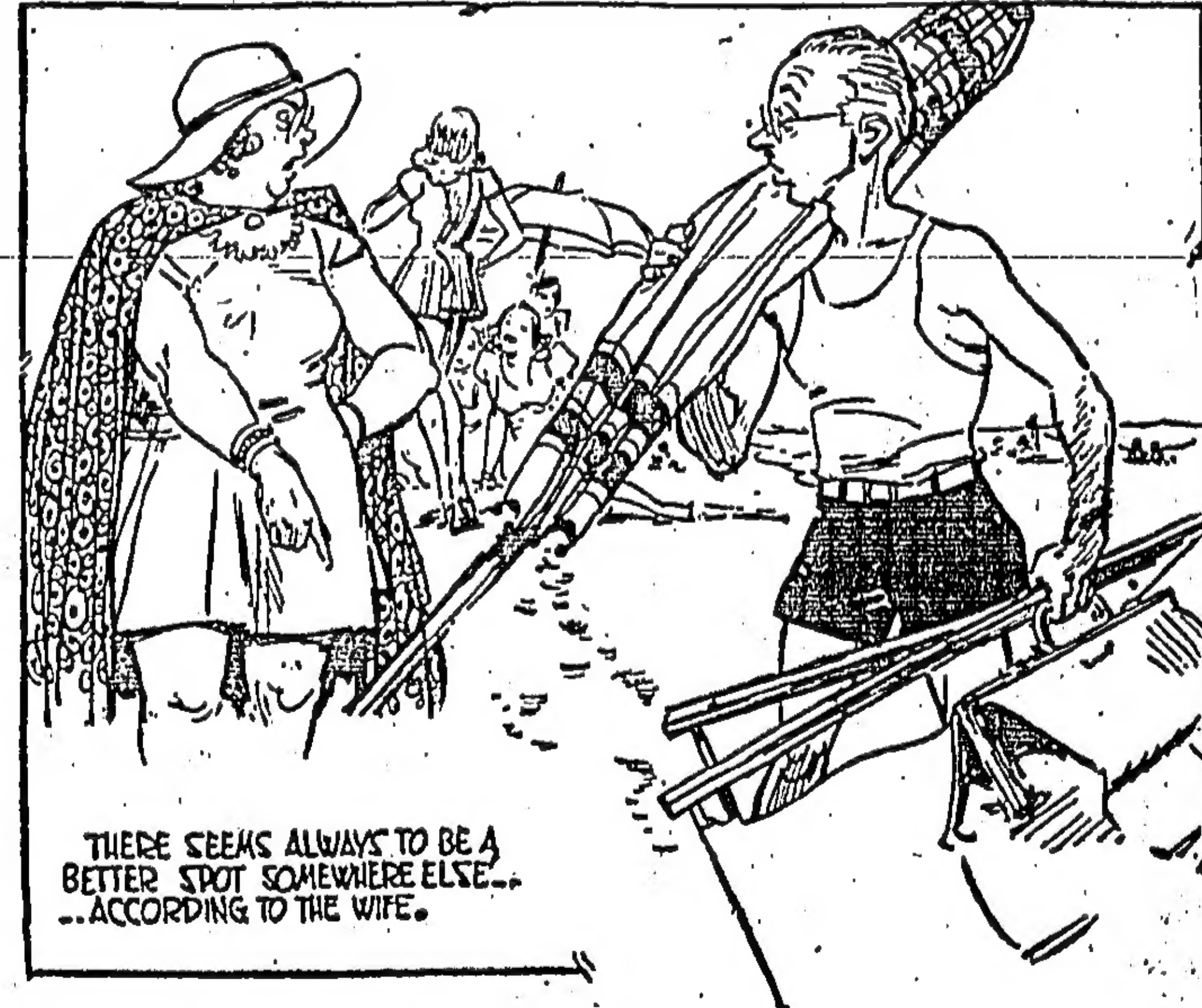
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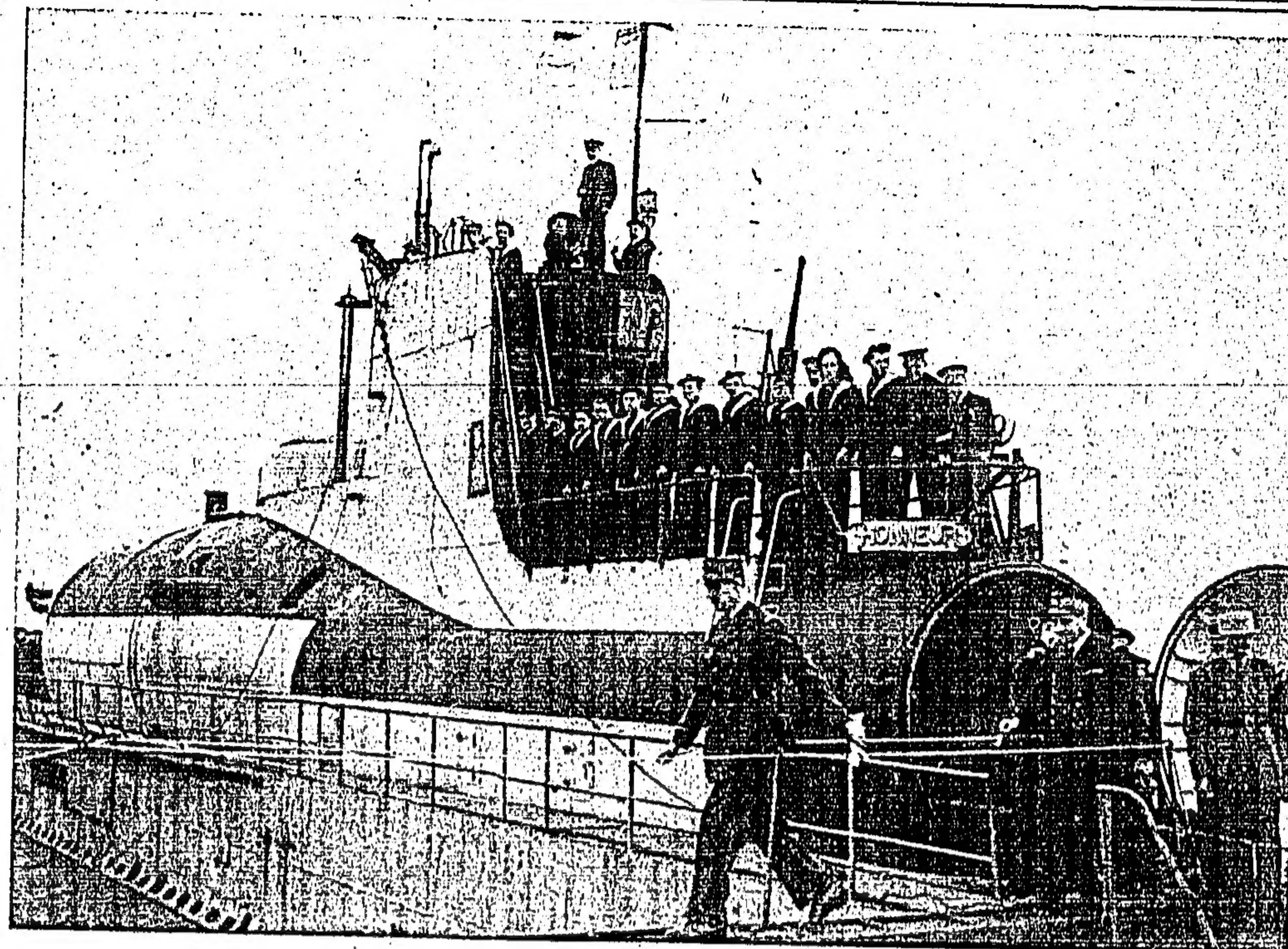
FEMININITY IS IN STYLE AGAIN... SHE WAS A LIFE-GUARD AT A GIRL'S CAMP... LAST SUMMER.

Hongkong Telegraph.

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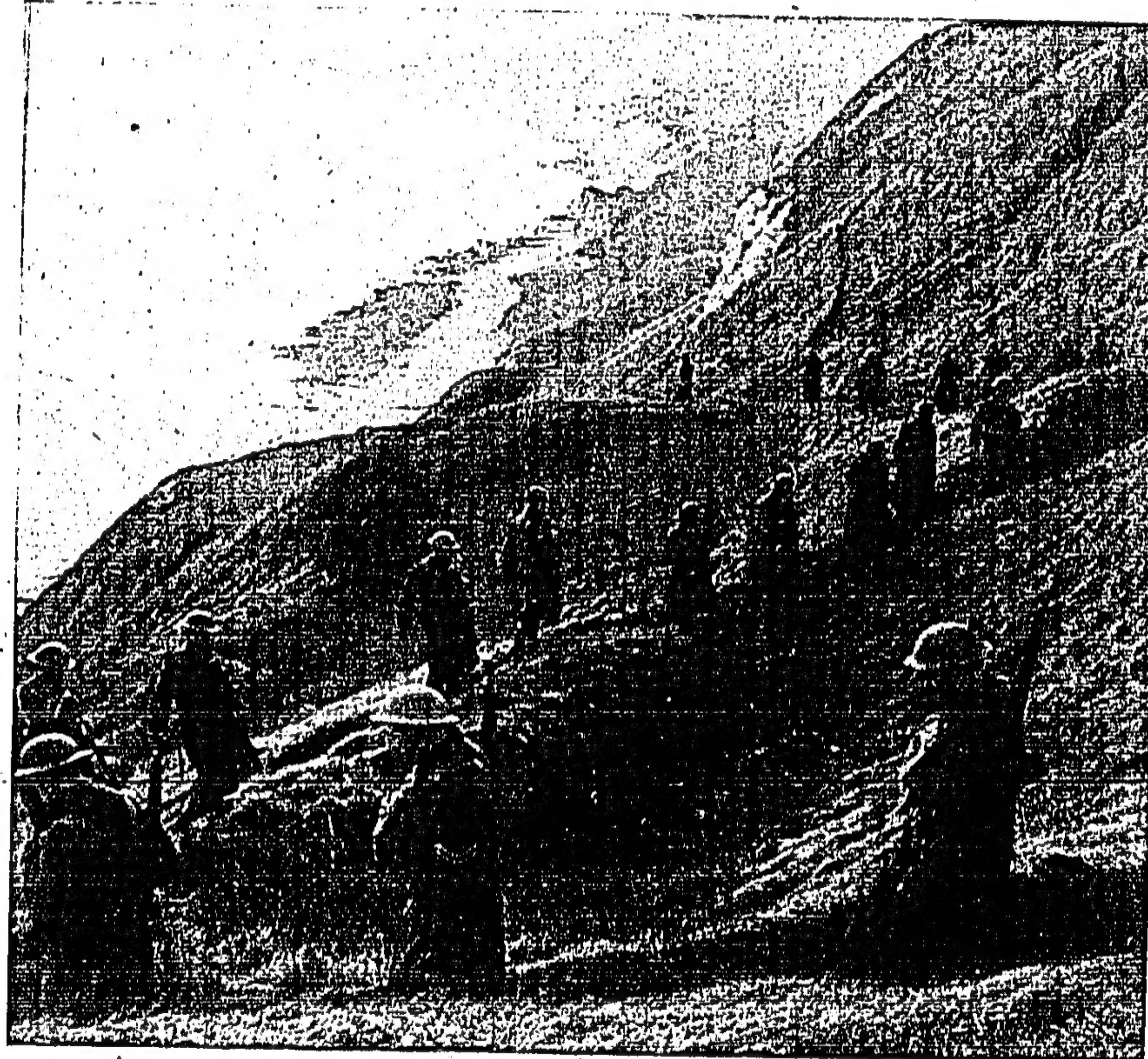
QUEEN INSPECTS A.T.S.—The Queen, who is Commander-in-Chief, inspected units of the A.T.S. during a recent Royal visit to the Southern Command. Her Majesty is seen in the photograph above talking to NAAFI girls.



GENERAL DE GAULLE, head of the Free French Forces, leaving a French submarine which he inspected in company with Admiral Muselier at a British port recently.



FROM DOWN UNDER—Two members of the New Zealand Forestry Corps pause for a smoke after felling another spruce in a Gloucestershire forest. In civilian life, most of the men were lumberjacks, so they are experts at this work.

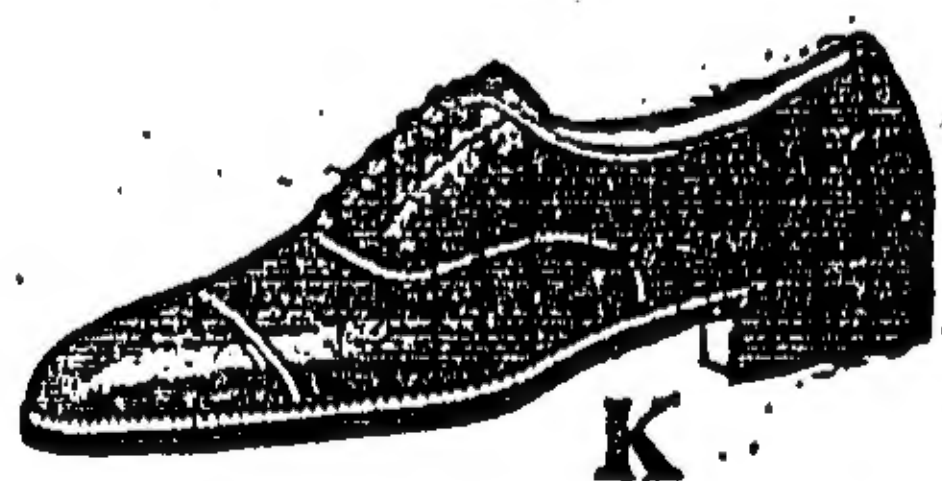


ALL PREPARED—This picture, taken in the Dover and Folkestone area, shows detachments of the Home Guard proceeding along a cliff edge to take up their positions. The Home Guards have been brought up to utmost efficiency and preparedness.



RETURNING THE COMPLIMENT—"We will give it to them back!" was the promise made to the bombed civilians of a stricken British city by Mr Churchill. The promise is already being redeemed by the R.A.F. Picture shows a flare bomb going down the chute of a bomber to light up a target in Germany. The photo was taken by infra-red process.

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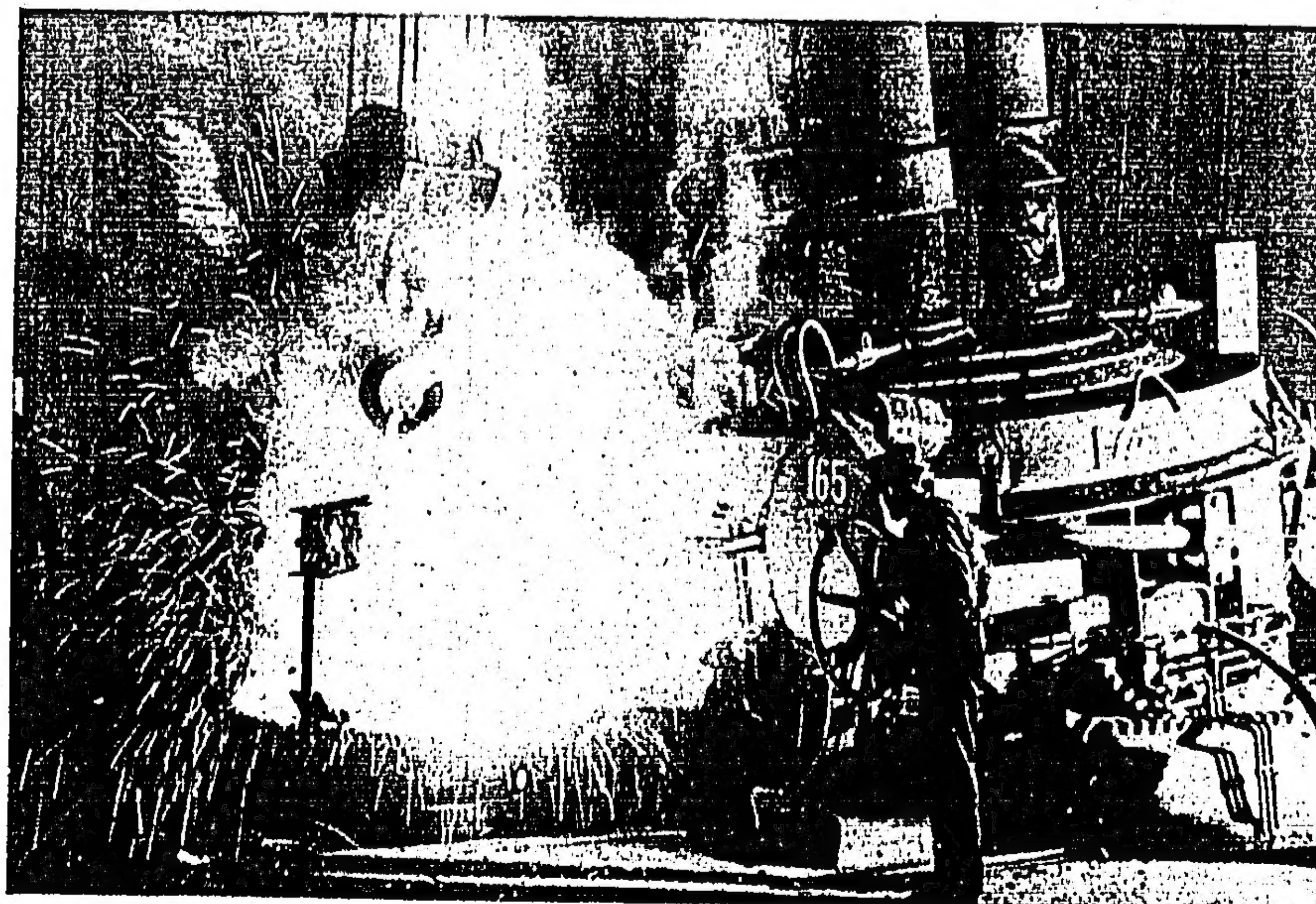
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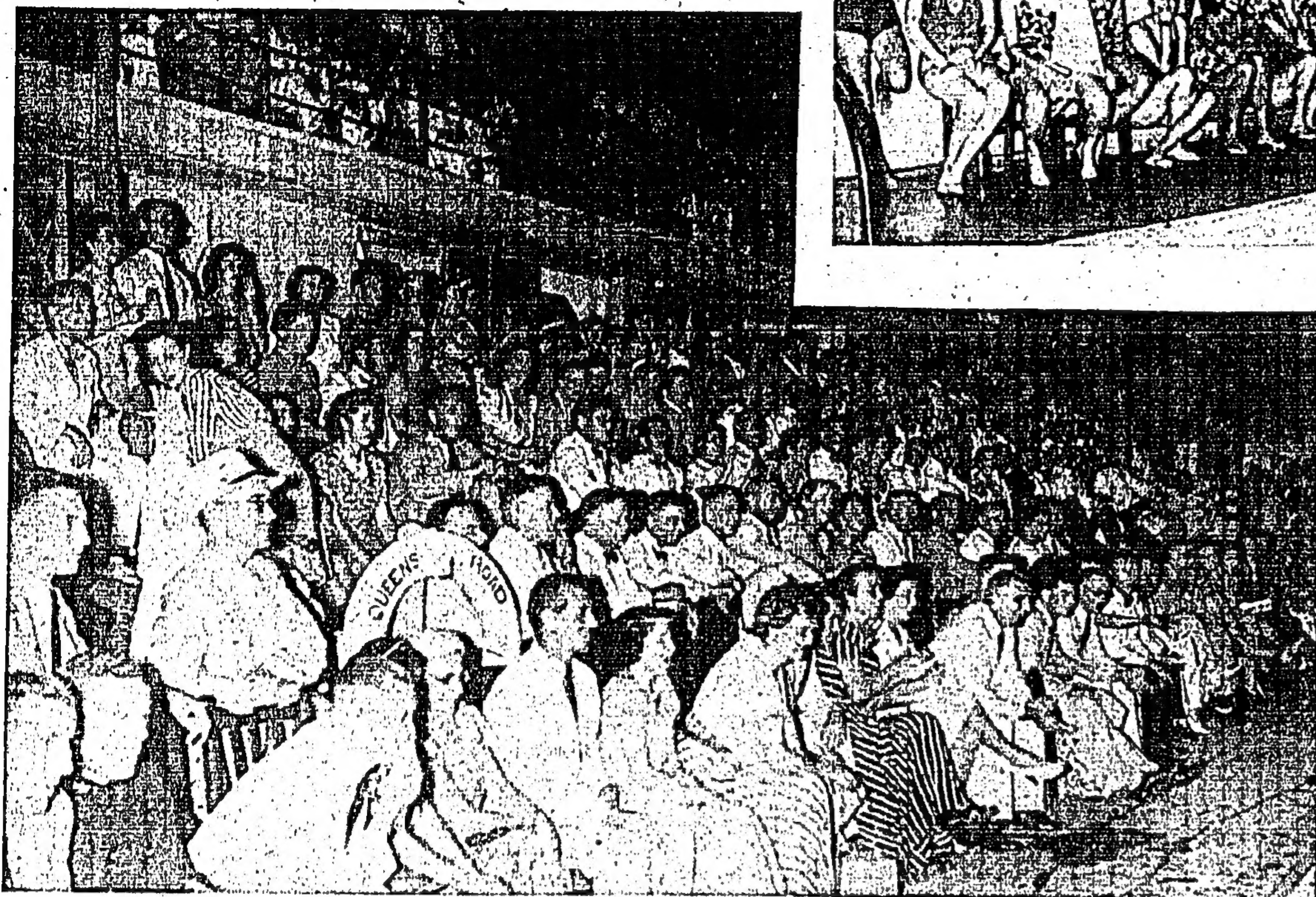
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VOLUNTEER NURSES SWIMMING GALA

The Army Swimming Pool was the scene last Saturday evening of the aquatic competition between the V.A.D. and the A.N.S. The event was held to raise money for the Bomber Fund, and the photograph below gives an excellent idea of the large attendance. The picture shows only part of the crowd. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Some of those who took part are seen in the picture at left above. Reading from left to right: Mrs Crawford, Miss G. Darby, Mrs S. Mackinlay, Miss M. Booker, Miss G. White, Miss B. Longbottom, Miss O. Archangelsky, Miss E. Gray (whip), Mrs Crommelin, Miss P. Stoncham, Miss V. Blackburn, Mrs Graf and Miss C. Christianson. Picture on the right shows Col E. H. M. Clifford, Brigadier J. T. W. Roove, H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, Commodore A. C. Collinson, Mrs C. F. Hyde and Mr and Mrs A. G. Langston. (Photos: Ming Yuen).



ST STEPHEN'S PRIZE DAY—His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, speaking at the annual prize distribution of St Stephen's College at Stanley last Saturday. Also in the picture are Mr Cheung Wing-kuo, Mr C. G. Solles, Director of Education, Dr S. W. Tso, the Rt. Rev. Ronald Hall, Bishop of Hongkong, and the Warden, the Rev. E. W. L. Martin. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



KOWLOON WEDDING—Mr Lionel da Silva and his bride, formerly Miss Bortolina Cruz, photographed after their wedding last week at the Rosary Church. (Photo: Sun Ying Ming).



LITTLE FLOWER CLUB—The Patron of the Little Flower Club, the Rt Rev. Mgr H. Valtorta, photographed with the Club's President, Miss A. Baptista, and members of the Committee at the 13th annual meeting last week. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



TRAINED TEACHERS—The graduating class of the Northcote Training College, Bonham Road, photographed with the College staff. (Photo: Sun Ying Ming).



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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

A Duplicate Bid

There is one type of bid which may be of great value at duplicate but which has no place in rubber bridge. I refer to the action taken by South in the following deal:

Match-point duplicate.
North-South vulnerable.
East dealer.

♠ K Q 8
♥ A R 10 5
♦ 10 4 3 2
♣ 8 4

N
S
E
W

♠ A J 7
♥ J 8 4
♦ A K 10 5
♣ 10 7 2

♠ 8 5
♥ 7 3 2
♦ Q 8 3
♣ A K Q J 6

The bidding:
East Pass South Pass West Pass North Pass
1 NT Pass Pass 2 NT (11 Pass Pass

Let us pass over the fact that West's spade response to the opening bid was decidedly shaded, and confine our attention to South's sensational—but far from illogical—three notrump call.

Only at duplicate, and more specifically only under the exact vulnerability conditions that obtained, would South's action be within the

bounds of reason. For, obviously, South could have elected to pass the double and play against one notrump. When he preferred to contract for nine tricks, himself, he announced (in effect) that he hoped to hold the opponents to four tricks. In other words, South felt that East's one notrump could be defeated three tricks.

At rubber bridge it is absurd to depend on perfect diagnosis when it is not necessary to do so. Thus, at rubber bridge, South should figure that if his calculations went astray by one trick, he would be defeated at three notrump whereas he could have collected 300 points by playing against one notrump doubled. At duplicate bridge with equal vulnerability, South's three notrump bid would also be absurd because if he could take nine tricks, he could profit most by defeating the one notrump three tricks.

Under the actual conditions noted, however, there was method in South's apparent madness. Defeating East three tricks would return only 500 points, whereas if South could hold the enemy to the same four tricks at his own notrump contract, he would earn 600 points.

Unquestionably, South's decision was bold, but it had an excellent result. As he had figured, nine tricks were there for the taking, whether he defended against East's one notrump or went out for a three notrump contract of his own.

BOOK OF THE WEEK

JAPAN UNMASKED

"Japan Unmasked," by Hallett Abend. New York: Ives Washburn, \$3.

HALLETT Abend, veteran "New York Times" correspondent in China, has joined the long trek of journalists in foreign posts who have been returning to the United States during the last year.

Mr. Abend had a special reason for quitting his base in Shanghai, from which he had surveyed the Chinese scene for many years. Japanese secret agents, who were becoming steadily more arrogant and unrestrained and who often operated without the knowledge or approval of the regular Japanese military and civilian authorities, had spied on and terrorised his servants, burgled his apartment, subjected him on one occasion to physical violence, and were daily threatening him over the telephone.

He decided that the time had come to move, as many of his countrymen are doing throughout the Far East; and one result of this decision is the present book, a piece of thorough, fact-packed, up-to-date reporting.

eastern Asia has the merit of being fresh and original, as well as topical.

He was rather more favourably impressed with the determination of the British to hold Singapore and its rich Malayan hinterland and of the Dutch to maintain their position in the Indies, leaving the Japanese only ruins of exploded and destroyed oil wells if there is an invasion, than with defense preparations in the Philippines. Here the division of authority between the American military and naval authorities and the Commonwealth Government and uncertainty about the future status of the islands, which will receive complete independence in 1946 unless some modification of the present arrangement is made, has perhaps been a retarding factor.

Mr. Abend says that no preparations for air raids have been made in Manila, and he is very doubtful as to the ability of the newly trained Philippine citizen army to stand up to a Japanese invasion. He also says there is no common defence plan among the British, American, and Dutch civil and military authorities in southeastern Asia. (Such a plan may have been drawn up during the recent visits to Manila of Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham and M. van Kleeff, former Netherlands Foreign Minister.)

Mr. Abend agrees with most thoughtful observers in settling down the Sino-Japanese war as a deadlock which is not likely to end soon unless some unforeseen external factor intervenes. He is pessimistic about American-Japanese relations. His book must be reckoned a reliable ready reference book, entertainingly written.

WEEK-END WIT

POINTS OF VIEW

Lieutenant: "Who told you to put those confounded flowers on the table?"
Sergeant-Major: "The C.O., sir."
Lieutenant: "Pretty, aren't they?"

ONE SHORT

Two seamen were having an argument over a game of cards.
"My three aces win," said one.
"Ain't you ashamed of your dishonesty?" demanded another. "I only dealt you two aces."

DIFFERENT STORY

"Now that I've told you about my past, do you still want to marry me?"
"Yes, beloved."
"I suppose you'll expect me to live it down."
"No, I expect you to live up to it."

KIND OF GIRL

"Is Jane the kind of girl you'd give your name to?"
"Maybe, but not my right name."

LOAD

A London business man returned home rather more wearied than usual, and, at ten, remarked to his wife, "These gasmasks do seem heavy when you have got to carry them about with you all day long."
"Yes, dear," replied his wife, "specially when you were silly enough to go off to work this morning carrying the box containing my electric iron."

HE'LL LEARN

"The vicar said in his sermon he doesn't believe in hell."
"Ah, he's new to this parish."

ON GUARD

Bore: "Have I ever told you about the American in Paris?"
Victim: "Is it a long story?"
Bore: "No."
Victim: "Then you haven't."

OTHER COMPLAINTS

"I can't stick my mother-in-law at any price."
"Well, old man, if it wasn't for your mother-in-law you wouldn't have your wife."
"I know. And that's not the only reason."

BOSS AND STENO

"You've been typist to several men running, haven't you?"
"Yes, but I think I'm on my last lap now."

FIGURATIVELY

"What would you do if a chap criticised your figure?"
"Well, I wouldn't hold it against him."

HIS DAUGHTER'S HAND

"Sir, I have come to ask for your daughter's hand. May I have it?"
Father: "Certainly; take the one that's always in my pocket!"



"Aw! Pipe down! Must I keep on telling you I'd no idea you were a camouflaged tree?"

PROBLEM

MIXED DISHES

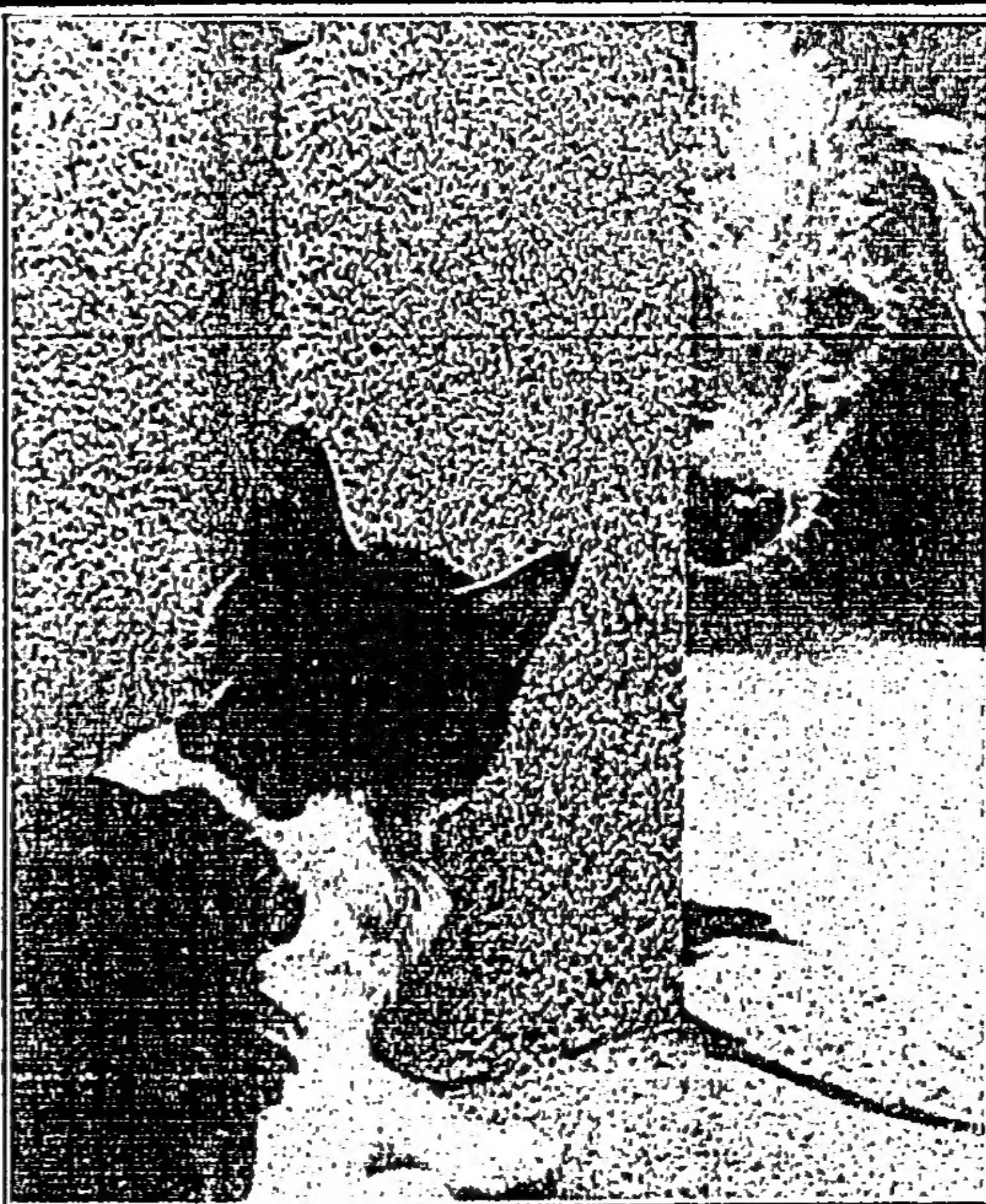
The head waiter of a local hotel was a crossword fiend, and he had become so enamoured of word puzzles that he had made anagrams of all the dishes on the menu on the night a "Telegraph" reporter went there for dinner. No wonder the reporter gasped when he saw a meal progress from hors d'oeuvre to savoury with such items as these:

Hors d'oeuvre
DRINK SAME-DOSES
Soup
YOUR FOSSET
Fish
ONE SOLID LAMB
Poultry
TRY OUR STEAK
Vegetables
TASTE-SOAP ROOT
CALL OUR WIFE
Sweets
NILE POEM
MICE RACE
Savoury
HERBIVORE TRIALS

At least the reporter found here food for thought; and you may do likewise. On Page 12 you will find out what kind of fare the reporter was actually served.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

PICTURE OPPORTUNITIES



Keeping the camera ready for the unexpected resulted in this unusual snapshot. Picture opportunities are abundant, so have your camera with you wherever you go.

IT ISN'T very often that you'll find a dog looking inquisitively around a corner at a cat, but if you do, it will be an occasion well worth photographing. You've probably seen similar oddities, and often expressed the desire to take pictures which really capture such situations. Many opportunities like this occur but once, and, by having your camera with you at all times, you can take advantage of these incidents to make a number of interesting snapshots.

Besides the unusual, there are many other things that afford excellent subject material for the camera hobbyist. For example, activities of general interest offer an abundant source of picture opportunities. Fishing, motoring, swimming, boating—in fact, any sport will yield a number of good snapshots. Or, wherever you go—to the mountains, seashore, or inland lake—you'll have the chance to picture the scenic beauty as well as the interesting happenings on a memorable vacation, a week-end trip or just a day's jaunt.

There's no single formula to follow when you take your camera with you, but there are some good points well worth remembering. First, always look for scenes that

are characteristic of the place you are visiting, whether you are out for just a short drive, or a trip to some distant section of the country. Second, try to organize your shooting so that the pictures tell a reasonably well ordered story. Not just a lot of shots of one thing, but a step-by-step account of what you did and what went on. Third, always be on the lookout. Watch for unusual or "different" pictures such as the one illustrated above. They add a great deal of interest and variety to your album.

In scenic shooting, don't let broad, breath-taking views mislead you. They're good subjects—but include a foreground object or "frame" when possible, to give them depth and creative feeling of distance.

In picturing the things you do, always try to include some action—not necessarily rapid motion, but people doing something. In brief, make each picture tell a story. Chances to get excellent snapshots are everywhere, and it's easy to build a fine collection. Keep your camera with you constantly, and bring back a permanent record of your experiences.

John Van Outlander



THE FACE AT THE WINDOW

"Morning, Hawkins—why, man, what's the matter with you? You're as white as a sheet."
"Nothing, Sir. Nothing. Only you gave me a bit of a start. I thought you were still in bed."
"Bed, Hawkins? On a morning like this? I've been over to the mill pool for a swim. Ice cold—very bracing—tingling all over. What are the finest pleasures of an effete civilisation compared with the joys of the simple life?"
"What indeed, Sir. Unfortunately, Sir, I assumed that after that party you were at last night you would not rise until late in the forenoon, and would require little, if any, breakfast. In fact, I instructed Cook to that effect."

"Hawkins, you weren't expecting that I'd have a hangover? That's a man of my ripe experience could have a morning after?"
"Oh no, Sir. Not exactly a hangover, but..."
"Don't quibble, Hawkins. Of course you did. How were you to know that I finished up the evening with a stiff glass of Rose's Lime Juice? Rose's, most therapeutic and refreshing of beverages."
"I will order a crate of Rose's Lime Juice this very morning, Sir."
"Do so, Hawkins. And meanwhile, tell Cook to hurry with some bacon and eggs. And a sausage or two. And a kidney or tomato, or both."

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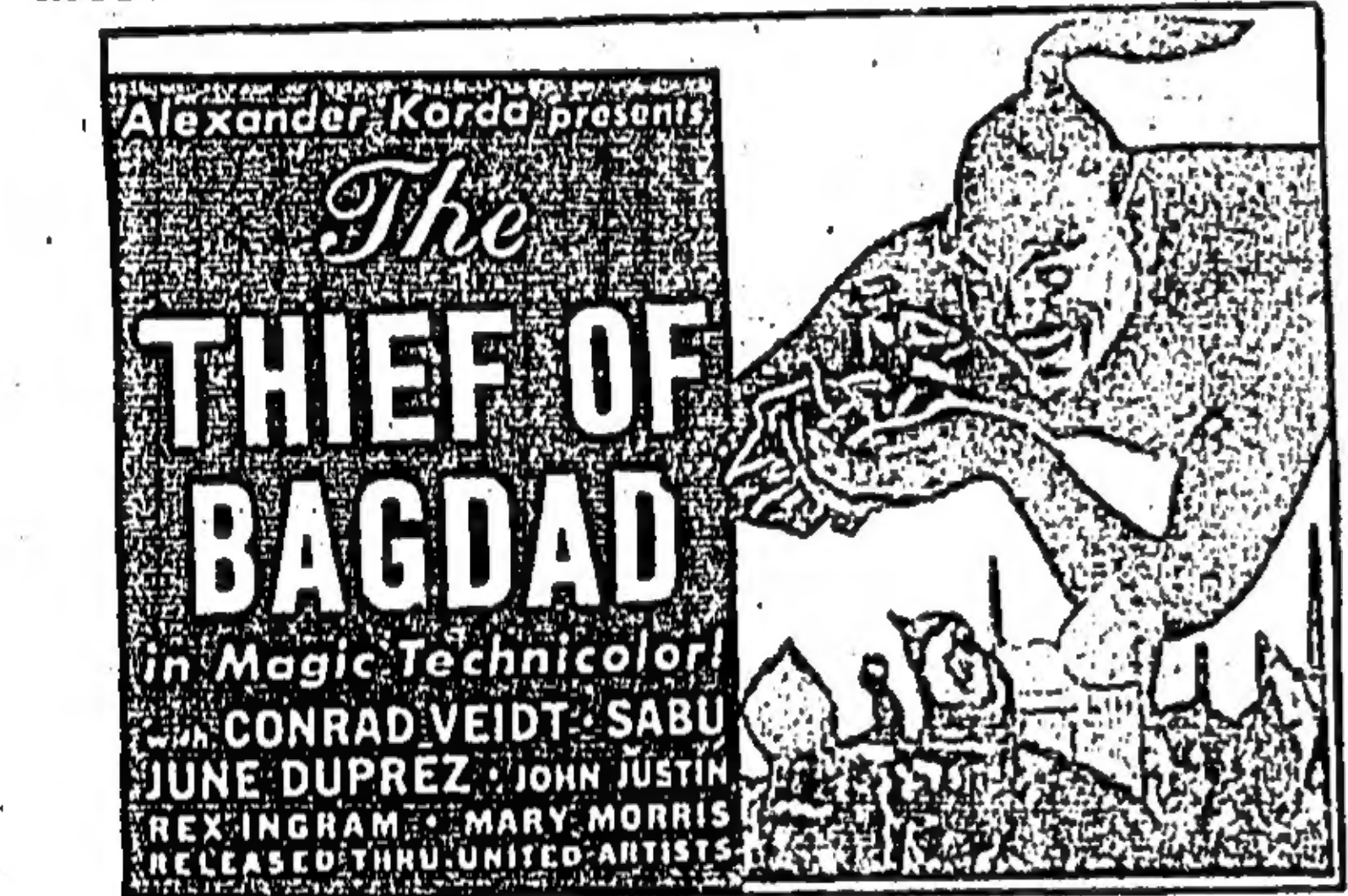
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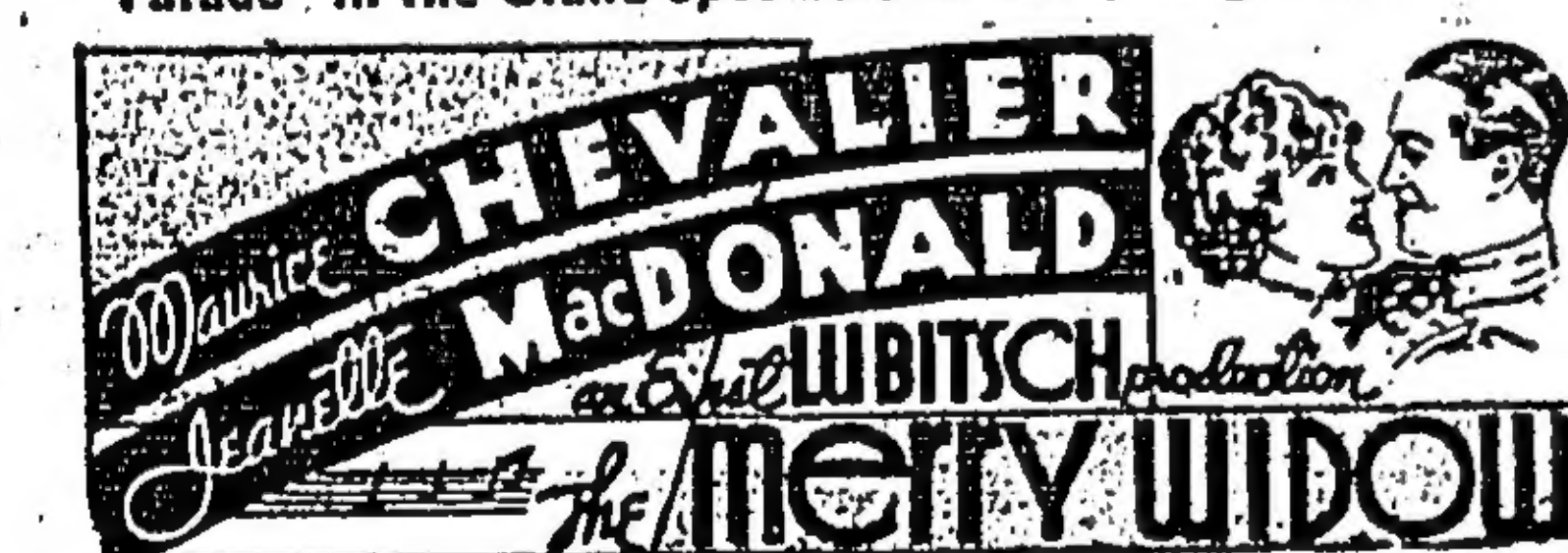
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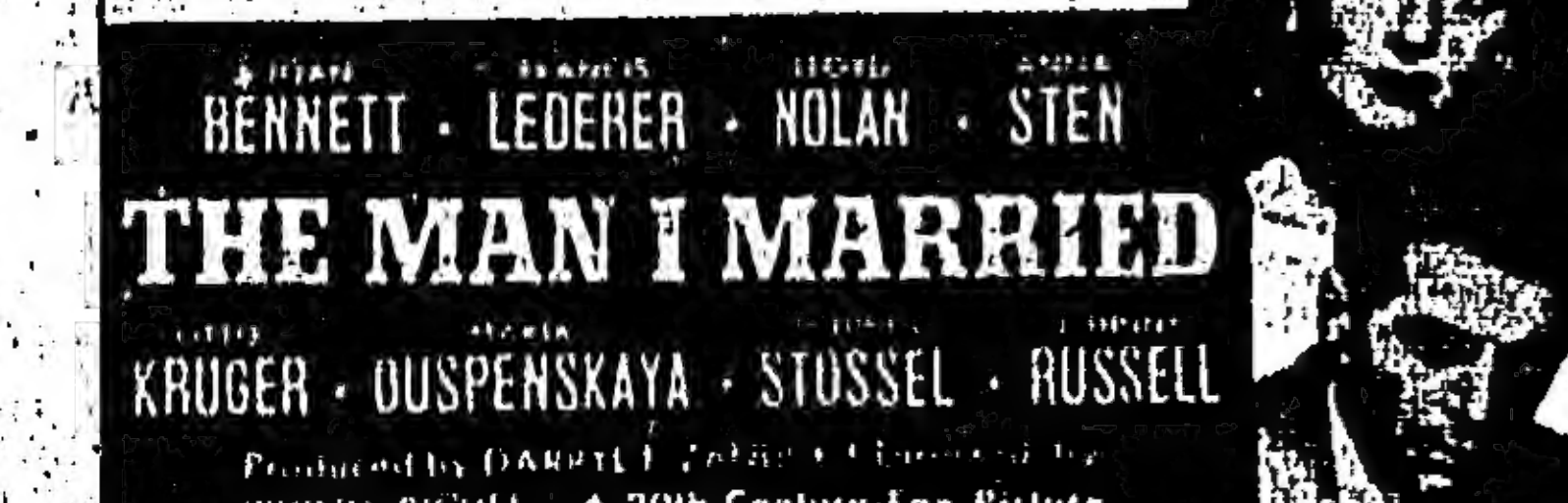
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CURRENT COMMENT... By Scrutineer

The resignation of the Japanese cabinet reflects the divided state of mind which naturally prevails in Japan.

Since the Russo-German war broke out the Japanese have been wondering how and why their Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsumoto, who went to Berlin to strengthen the Axis, should have signed a pact on April 13 in Moscow which weakened it, and done it apparently with the full knowledge and approval of Hitler, who must at that time have already made his plans for the invasion of Russia.

The kaleidoscope changes in German policy, to which Japanese statesmen have valiantly tried to conform, naturally makes them dizzy. They have not yet got used to the idea of proclaiming undying friendship one day to another nation and then trying to destroy it the next. There can be no continuity of policy in Japan so long as this Axis agreement stands, since German policy, on which Japan's is based, is purely opportunistic.

The question now raised is whether Japan will go south, not in the sense she intended some months ago, to the Netherlands East Indies, but to Indo-China. To that extent, she has contracted her ambitions, but she cannot be sure that such an occupation may not provoke the same response as the more direct attack on the Netherlands East Indies. There have been too many occupations of strategic positions with a view to later attack for such an act to be allowed to pass unchallenged, and that may not mean mere verbal protest. It would depend on what view the Allies hold about strategic positions in the Far East—that is whether they thought their own security was threatened by any advance to the south at all.

But the position of Japan in the event of a movement south is not made easier by the position in Siberia. If she became involved in war with the Allies, then aerial attacks on Osaka, Tokyo and Kobe would be the order of the day. It was in 1937 that the Russians announced that a bomber had flown 7,152 miles due East of Vladivostok and back again. The significance of the statement lay in the fact that this was exactly the distance from Vladivostok to Tokyo.

It is no wonder that Cabinet changes are taking place in Japan.

BOMBING POLICY

The Prime Minister's speech in the County Hall of the L.C.C. was delivered with the usual vigour and incisiveness, but it was not so much what he said as the manner in which his statements were received by the assembled Councillors that left a very deep impression. Especially was this the case when he put before them the suggestion made by some that a truce should be called to this bombing of cities.

When he scornfully rejected such an idea, he was cheered to the echo. That was significant, for if any body of responsible people might be expected to agree to such an arrangement, one would have expected them to be found in London. It is here that the greatest damage has been done, and the severest casualties have been suffered. Yet there was no idea of a compromise. On the contrary, there were great cheers when it was announced that the R.A.F. would carry out its appointed task no matter what happened in London. As the Prime Minister said, it was the Germans who commenced this terrible work of destruction in Warsaw, Rotterdam and Belgrade. The aim was and is to strike terror into the hearts of the people, and so break down the will to resist. If this is their aim it is obviously based on a knowledge of their own psychological make-up. The German assume that the methods by which they themselves would be covered must obviously be the methods by which others would be covered.

MIXED DISHES

See Page 11

Smoked Sardines
Oyster Soup
Boiled Salmon
Roast Turkey
Roast Potatoes
Cauliflower
Lemon Pie
Ice Cream
Welsh Rarebit

The Prime Minister therefore shrewdly promised the Germans that the range of the I.L.A.F. bomber would steadily increase in weight and more destructive, and that an ever-increasing number would make the journey in the months and in the years ahead. There would be no respite, no quarter would be asked for or given. If the Germans wish it so, then it will be so. With them, it began, and through it, they will end their resistance.

HITLER'S METHOD

What will astonish the historian of the future in connection with this war will be the monotonous repetition of the methods by which Hitler first isolated his victims, and then strangled them. The initial move

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was made into Austria. This had to fall into the German system in order to take away the reproach to the Germans that Hitler was a foreigner. It led, however, to the encirclement of Czechoslovakia, which was assured in the most solemn manner that the advance into Austria would not in any way endanger its independence. The pressure on the other Balkan states quickly followed, and Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Greece one after the other had to yield to the military pressure after having been informed that Germany had no designs upon their independence as states.

Russia did not submit easily to this policy of encirclement, but tried to anticipate the dangers of it, by seizing strategic points in Finland, Poland, and Bessarabia. The fact remains, however, that Russia was slowly but inexorably enclosed from the Arctic to the Black Sea by German forces; but at the same time Russia reaped the advantages of neutrality, which meant the weakening of Germany's forces and the gaining of the necessary time to build up her colossal army and air force.

Stalin knew perfectly well that his turn would come, but he hoped that by purchasing a reprieve with the pact of August 1939, he would be in an impregnable position later. He did not bargain, however, for the easy victory over France, nor did he think that Hitler would regard the conquest of Russia as an attractive alternative to the fearful difficulty of invading Britain.

Hitler, armed with his pact of non-aggression, which merely meant that he promised peace in order that he might begin the war with advantage, invaded Russia without any preliminary announcement. Russia is merely the latest victim of the broken treaty.

Hitler goes East in order that he might have granaries, oil wells and a reserve of manpower, to function as slaves, but his main ambition is to destroy the British Empire and rule the world. It is reasonable to hope that Russia will be able to maintain her position as a powerful ally and that winter will create problems for Germany that she cannot solve. It is certain that Russia will stubbornly contest every inch of ground and will bring parachute troops, in which she has specialised, into the rear of the advancing armies, while destroying everything of value as she retreats, assuming she is compelled to do so.

SYRIA

The splendid reception offered to the Allies in Syria show where the heart of the French people lies.

Vichy is not France—it is a temporary manifestation of the defection which finds its perfect expression in Marshal Petain.

Syria is now part of the defence system of the Middle East the vital artery of which is the Suez Canal. Syria gives access to Iraq to Iran and to Turkey, which is friendly towards the Allies, and it reassures the Arab population, which has always looked to Turkey for guidance. The Muslims in this war are practically solidly for Britain, partly because of the Turkish attitude.

The conquest of Syria is a sharp lesson to Admiral Darlan. It is a warning that his ardent desire to co-operate with Germany must not be at the expense of Britain.

EVIL OF NAZIISM

The campaign in Syria with its generous peace terms by which the French soldiers and administrators are to be permitted to join the Free French movement, or go home to France stands out in contrast with the other campaigns that are being fought. At the beginning of the war there was a generous note but that has gone. In Hongkong for example there were protests when Goebbels was referred to as a person with a deformed mind in a deformed body—a kind of King Richard III. The other day, the "Manchester Guardian" referred to him as that elf-footed dwarf who laid on satanic with a trowel when addressing Hitler on his birthday, and then adding that this was a gross understatement of his method.

In the highly respectable "Contemporary Review," a writer in referring to Hitler, Goebbels and Goering quotes a German verse which says:

A madman, a cripple, a morphineist.

Are showing the Germans the meaning of race.

This more violent and truer description of Hitler and his party, follows naturally from the disgruntled exploitation of the principles which on the whole operate among civilised people. It is because we are fundamentally decent and honest and trust each other's word that civilisation continues. It is this decency which Hitler has outraged. Quite a number of people were willing to accept Hitler and his fellows as honourable people, but as time advanced they found they were merely criminals masquerading as respectable members of society.

The strongest defence of Britain in this war lies in her complete distrust of anything Hitler says or promises.

The tragedy, however, is that this distrust and mutual suspicion will undermine and poison human relationships for many years after the war. It will be long before the treachery of the Quislings will be forgotten.

In the meantime it is all to the good that evil should be labelled as such in the strongest possible language.

Ship Rivets Stolen

Large Losses from Taikoo Docks Revealed

Frequent and considerable thefts of rivets, bolts and nuts from Taikoo Docks were revealed by Mr. Andrew MacIndoe, Assistant Manager of the Dock Company, in the course of his evidence at Central Magistracy yesterday, when Lo Tak-hing, 30, broker, was charged with stealing two-and-a-half tons of rivets, bolts and nuts from Taikoo Docks on or about June 3, and Cheung Ying, 32, clerk, was charged with receiving stolen property.

Mr. D. B. Evans appeared for the Prosecution with Sergeant Kinloch, while Mr. M. A. da Silva defended.

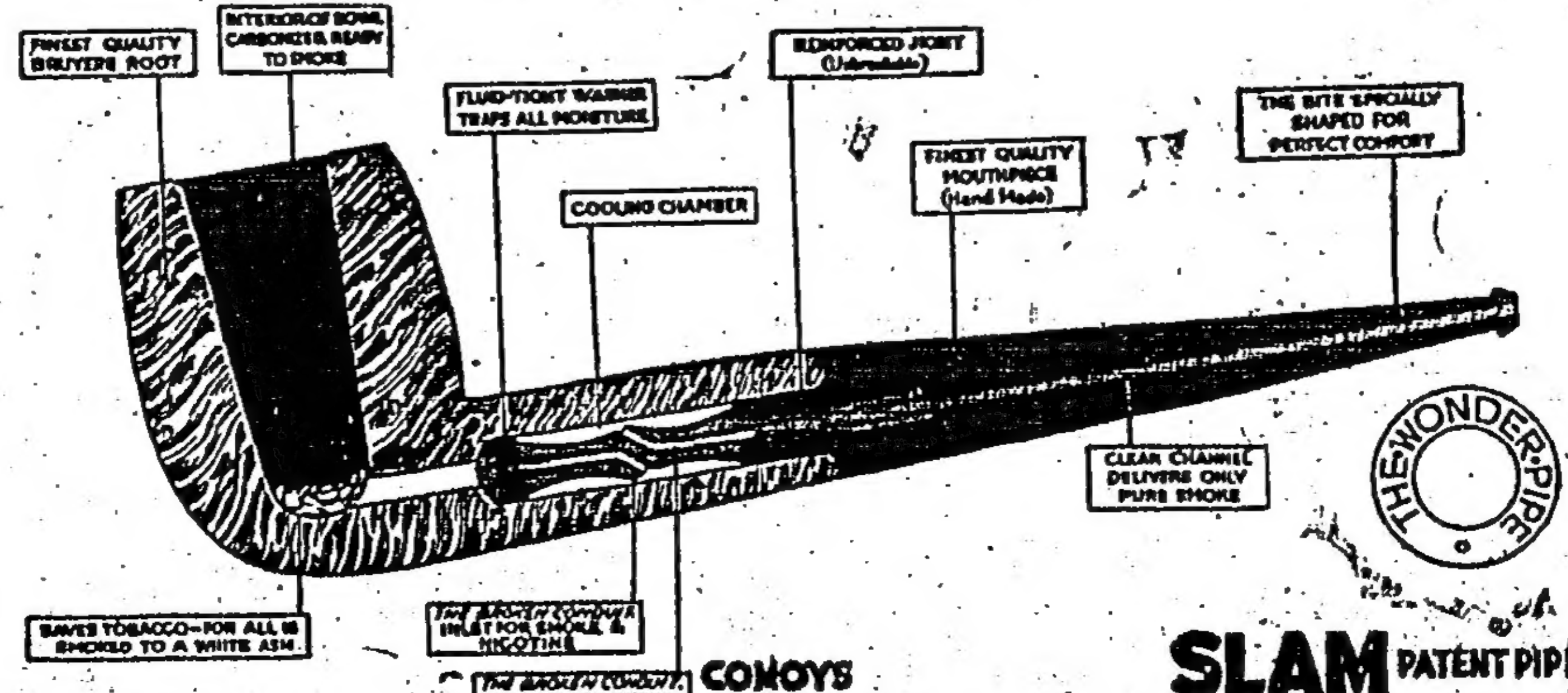
Mr. MacIndoe stated that the Taikoo Dock Company had ordered special pin-head type three-quarter-inch rivets, with the letters "TD" on the head, from the Nam King Flashlight Company. He identified a rivet produced in Court as one of these. Subsequently second Defendant brought him some samples of rivets which he said were made by his Company near Macao. Witness noticed that one of the samples had the "TD" mark on the head and the matter was reported to the Police. The order from second Defendant's firm was received at Taikoo on June 2 and as a number of the rivets resembled those made by or for Taikoo Docks, the Police were again informed and Defendants arrested.

Mr. MacIndoe added that similar rivets were made at the Docks.

Kwok Chee, factory foreman of the Flashlight Company, testified to having received orders from the Taikoo Docks for rivets, which were executed.

The hearing was adjourned to July 29 at 2.30 p.m.

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